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Not magic, just stuck

If you were to ask Leah Eisenberg if she got stuck in a chair on Monday night, she would tell you "No. I was hiding."

But while Leah was "hiding" she stopped a magic show and became the center of attention at the Kiwanis Club family night at the Sons of Italy Hall.

It was eight o'clock before magician Herb Downs began his act, and some of the youngsters were getting fidgety. And while a magician can hold the attention of older youngsters, it is a different story for a little girl who is not quite three.

After watching magician Downs make scarves appear and disappear for a while, she climbed back into her chair, and then started to crawl down through the space between the seat and the back. She went feet first, and was almost all the way through when she discovered that her head wouldn't fit.

She didn't cry, but her plight was obvious. The show stopped, and all attention turned to Leah. Fire Fighter Bill Lopez was at the next table, and he began the efforts to set the little girl free.

Her parents, Maida and George Eisenberg were right there, helping. It soon became evident that the easiest way out would be to unscrew the back of the chair. So a screwdriver was fetched, and in a few twists of the wrist, the adventure was over.

Stu Neilson photo

Show stopper

Leah Eisenberg cast a long "Get me out of here!" look at her dad, George, while waiting for the chair that trapped her to be taken apart. The arm in the foreground is that of Ray DeCecca, manning a screwdriver. Holding the chair is Fire Fighter Bill Lopez, with his son Matthew proudly watching his dad work. Maida Eisenberg is in the top left corner of the picture.

Shepard new acting chief

by Elaine DePasquale

A new skipper is at the helm of the Wilmington Police Department, the second shift in authority there in less than three weeks.

Police Sergeant George Shepard was appointed by Town Manager Sterling Morris last Friday to head the department as its second acting chief, replacing Acting Chief James Palmer who resigned on the same day.

According to Morris, interviews of potential candidates for the permanent chief's position will begin "quite soon" and an appointment will be made as soon as the official list is received.

Sgt. Palmer, who held the post for two weeks following the March 31 retirement of former Chief Paul Lynch, cited impending legal action against the Civil Service Commission as the main factor behind his resignation.

In an April 10 letter to Morris, Palmer wrote, "I do not want to take unfair advantage over any other potential candidates for the Chief's position. I have consulted with my attorney and he agrees with this decision until the existing litigation is finalized."

Palmer, who placed third on the March 3 police chief's exam for Wilmington, is presently not considered to be in the running for the job of chief since he missed achieving the required score of 70 by one point. He is challenging the test results, he said, because Civil Service did not allow him credit for training, experience or veterans' preference and because of a recent policy which does not permit examinees to see their tests after they have been completed and scored.

Because of the one-point deficiency on the written test, Palmer said, Civil Service automatically disregarded a possible six or eight additional points for training, experience and veterans' preference. Both of the other top finishers, he said, received the extra points because they had earned 70 or above on the written exam.

Sergeants Bernard Nally and Robert Stewart received tied overall scores of 79 each, including the extra points. According to Sgt. Palmer, however, his score could have approximated or met that mark if his extra points had been allowed.

"It was a shocker," Palmer told the Town Crier Tuesday. It was all the more frustrating, he said, because of a score of 74 which he achieved last August on another chief's exam he had taken for practice, for the town of Palmer, Massachusetts.

His pending legal action, for which he says he is willingly footing the bill "is at least a shot," Sgt. Palmer said. "I feel what's right is right," he said, "and that I should at least give it a whirl for the future."

If he is successful, Palmer said, it could have profound implications statewide for other police officers and firefighters taking civil service examinations.

Representing him is Boston attorney Thomas Troy, a former Wilmington police officer.

Palmer, an 18-year veteran of the force, holds two associates degrees from Middlesex Community College, in law enforcement and security administration. He has also attended the F.B.I. Academy and the University of Virginia.

His action, however, may not be decided in time for him to win the chief's spot. According to Morris, such civil actions often take years before they are completed.

"I have no way of guessing how long his appeal would take," said Morris. "After I get the list, I plan to appoint a chief. Law enforcement is one of the primary concerns of any municipality." An "acting anybody" doesn't have as much authority as a permanent appointee, Morris said.

Among his top priorities for the next chief, said Morris, will be the ability to cut back on the department's overtime expenditures.

"I forsee a lot of cuts in overtime because of limited appropriations." he said. He indicated he would call for "an immediate study of ways to improve the use of manpower and eliminate excessive overtime" on the Wilmington Police Department.

The new chief's position has been advertised at an annual salary range of $21,900 to $24,900. In Wilmington, however, it has been reported that, with overtime compensation, sergeants can and often do earn substantially more than that figure annually. For the yet-to-be appointed police chief, a cut in income could actually be a result of the promotion, since the chief and any acting chiefs are not allowed overtime or road duty.

No more teacher cuts

There was good news for the nearly 100 Wilmington teachers and school administrators who packed last week's School Committee meeting at the high school library.

The School Committee, by a five to one vote, decided to cut no more personnel from the school budget, despite the fact that the budget, as it now stands, is $179,641 in excess of the maximum appropriation possible under a four per cent cap.

In January, 1979, 16.5 teachers and 18 other school personnel were cut from the 1979-80 budget which was set at $8,082,275. Since that time, further reductions totalling $30,061 have been made, bringing the budget's current figure to $8,052,214. This represents an increase of 5.67 per cent over last year's budget.

If further school budget cuts become necessary, the School Committee, in accordance with a motion made by School Committeeman John Brooks, will make them in non-personnel areas, at least until after town meeting.

"Town meeting action may force us to reconsider our position," said Superintendent of Schools Walter Pierce. He added, however, that until that happens the school department would "probably discuss reductions in non-salary accounts, but will maintain our committment to not cutting staff."

Areas to look at for possible cuts, according to School Committee Chairman Lester White, are the athletic program and late (after school hours) buses.

"I think we have done our part in the 34.5 positions. I think that is as far as we ought to go in reducing staff," said Pierce.

Brooks, however, said he believed the Committee was not taking into consideration the fact that Wilmington's Chapter 766 program for special needs youngsters had overspent its budget by $123,000.

"Though a freeze may make up for that this year, it has to be faced next year," he said. "I think what we are facing is $179,000 plus $123,000 added into our projection of next year's budget. We have underbudgeted next year through no fault of our own."

As the meeting drew to a close, the School Committee by unanimous vote, rescinded an earlier motion demoting high school Dean of Students Roger Breakey to the status of guidance counselor. Several of Breakey's associates and parents of youngsters he had counseled testified to the importance of retaining him as dean, a position where he would be free to help all youngsters instead of being assigned a segment of high school students.

Public Health Nurse Abby McQuaid called the School Committee's earlier action "one of the worst things the School Committee has ever done."

According to Assistant High School Principal Harold Garret, many students who refuse to talk with other counselors, have benefited greatly from Breakey's counseling.

Stephen Joyce killed in crash

North Reading Transcript photo

Fatal accident

Twisted wreckage is all that remains of the car Stephen Joyce was driving early Monday morning. Joyce died in a head-on collision in North Reading.

A North Reading accident claimed the life of a Wilmington man early Monday.

Stephen T. Joyce of 251 A Middlesex Ave., North Wilmington was pronounced dead at the Regional Health Center, where he was taken after his car collided head-on with another on Route 62.

Two other people were injured. Robert Sottile, of Hopkins Street, Wilmington, a passenger in Joyce's car, was treated for facial cuts. The driver of the other car, William D. Lawler of North Reading, complained of chest pains and a cut on the face.

The accident occurred at 1:15 a.m. near Elvira Road on Lowell Road.

It took fire fighters more than a half hour to extricate the victims from Joyce's car.

The police report of the accident indicated that Joyce's car was on the wrong side of the road at the time of the crash. The weather was light rain, the road wet.

Joyce, 21 years old, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Joyce.

Triple damages sought for hydrant spree

The Wilmington Water & Sewer Commissioners, last Thursday, decided that they will seek triple damages, as punishment to the persons who opened four hydrants, in Wilmington, in the early morning hours of April 7.

The four hydrants were said to have been opened about 4 a.m. When Paul Duggan, acting superintendent of the Water Department got to the Browns Crossing pumping station, at 5 a.m. there was only 50 feet of water left in the Kelley's Hill tank. He estimated that 50,987 cubic feet of water had been lost, before the hydrants were shut off.

Using 50,900 feet as a base, the figures are 381,250 gallons of water lost to the town. It took the water department pumps 11 hours to refill the two storage tanks.

The cost in pumping was $133.40 for each of the four young men, if all are found guilty. Add to this other costs, including overtime labor, and the total was over $300, he said.

The Water Commissioners, in discussing the case, remembered that the Wilmington Water Department exists by reason of an enabling act, voted by the Legislature in 1923. Under Section 7 of that vote, any damages caused by reason of vandalism can be punished by a fine in the courts equal to the value of three times the loss.

That, the commissioners said, meant that the costs to each of the four could amount to nearly $1,000.

They decided to press for legal action, on that point.

Court action has been set for May 2.

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Town of Wilmington
Finance Committee
Public Hearing

The Wilmington Finance Committee will hold a public hearing on May 1, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wilmington Memorial Library Conference Room on the warrant articles for the Special Town Meeting to be held May 19, 1979.

Joyce K. Brisbois, Chairman
Wilmington Finance Committee

Vandalism prevention aired at breakfast

That citizens can help prevent vandalism was part of the message that Patricia Gagnon, co-chairman of Wilmington's Vandalism Committee, gave to those present at the annual Chamber of Commerce Spring Breakfast last Wednesday.

Gagnon, who co-chairs the fledgling committee along with Assistant Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski, told the group that vandalism cost Wilmington taxpayers over $100,000 last year. Nationally, she said, the total was close to $800 million.

"A community problem sometimes has to get pretty bad before we decide we've had enough," said Gagnon. "The easiest thing to do is assign responsibility for the problem and its solution to someone else."

The Vandalism Committee is now in the process of beginning a vandalism prevention program. In order for the program to be effective, Gagnon said, citizens must actively participate by immediately reporting any vandalism or suspicious activities they witness to the police.

Steps to prevent vandalism were outlined to the group and their ideas and suggestions of workable solutions were solicited.

"We are fortunate to have so many facilities for recreation and education," said Gagnon. "To preserve and beautify our community, we must all get involved and develop deep community pride."

"Many songs have been written about America the beautiful, but if composers and poets were to travel this land today, what would they be moved to say?" she asked.

Stapczynski was also present at the Wednesday, April 11 breakfast to respond to questions from the group.

The Vandalism Committee was appointed jointly by Wilmington's Town Manager Sterling Morris and Superintendent of Schools Walter Pierce.

Vandalism, toast and coffee

Vandalism was the topic when the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce held a breakfast meeting last Wednesday. From left, State Rep. Jim Miceli, Assistant Town Manager Reginald "Buzz" Stapczynski, C of C President David Gagnon, and Mrs. Patricia Gagnon. Stapczynski and Mrs. Gagnon head the local Vandalism Committee.

More vandalism

Wilmington's vandalism plague hit the Salem Street pumping station this week. Damage to the building was extensive, but the pumps were not harmed, and they kept running.

Among the damaged items were a heavy steel door, which was ripped from the building and mutilated. The window of the unattended building was also ruined, including its steel frame. A wooden cabinet was smashed, and charts and other paperwork were strewn about.

The discovery was made on a regular inspection on Tuesday morning. At the time of Monday's inspection, there was no damage.

Estimates of damage have not yet been completed.

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coming events

Tues., April 17 and Thurs., April 19: 9 to 10:30 a.m. Wil. Rec free public skating for eight years andyounger and their parents at Wil. Youth Ice Arena.

Tues., April 17 and Thurs., April 19: 10:30 a.m. to noon, Wil. Rec free public skating at Youth Ice Arena for all Wilmington residents over nine years old.

Wed., April 18: 1 to 4 p.m., C.O.A. party at Wil. K of C Hall.

..Wed., April 18: 2 p.m., Activities meeting of Tewks. C.O.A.

Wed., April 18: 3 p.m., Free film program, grades one through six, by ticket at Tewks. Patten Library.

Thurs., April 19: 12 noon, Wil. Womens' Club annual election. Methodist Church.

Thurs., Apr. 19: 1:30 p.m., Diabetes testing at Wil. Senior Center.

Thurs., April 19: 3:30 p.m. Story hour for ages eight through 10, at Wil. Public Library.

Thurs., April 19: 7:30 p.m. Monthly meeting of Tewks. C.O.A. at the Center.

Fri., April 20: 3 p.m. Free film program, grades one through six, by ticket at Tewks. Patten Library.

Fri., April 20: Installation of Wil. Sons of Italy officers.

Fri., Apr. 20: 7:30 p.m. Double penny sale and raffle, St. Dorothy's Church.

Sat., April 21: 9 a.m. to noon. Bake sale in DeMoulas Store; benefit Spotlighters.

Sat., April 21: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Gigantic yard sale in church parking lot, Rte. 38, St. William's Couples' Club. Lunch. Public invited.

Sat., April 21: 2 p.m. Card party and chicken dinner at Carnation Drive.

Sat., April 21: 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., American Legion Post 136 Auxiliary annual Spring Dance. 658-2797 or 658-3658.

Sun., April 22: 7 p.m. Pack 63 Committee meeting at K of C Hall.

Mon., April 23: 1:30 to 4 p.m. Whist party at Wil. Senior Center.

Mon., April 23: 7:30 p.m. Reg. meeting of Tewks. Community Action Committee at Senior Drop-in Center.

Mon., Apr. 23: 7:30-9 p.m., Rep. J. Miceli at 4A Colonial Park Mall, Wil.

Tues., April 24: 7:30 p.m. Regular meeting of Spotlighters at Mildred Rogers School at Silver Lake, Wil. All welcome.

Tues., Apr. 24: All day, house-to-house campaign for Cancer Crusade.

Tues., Apr. 24: 10:15 to 11:15 a.m., Pre-school Story Hour program at Tewks. Patten Lib. Call Mrs. McLeod, 851-6071.

Tues., Apr. 24: 7:30 to 9 p.m. Rep. J. Miceli at Tewk. Town Hall.

Tues., Apr. 24: 7:30 p.m., Wil. Memorial Day Comm meets at VFW Hall, Main Street.

Tues., Apr. 24: 8 p.m. Wil. LWV membership coffee at home of Nancy Lovetere, 18 Lexington St., Wil.

Wed., April 25: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. C.A.C. elections (voting) at Tewks. Senior Center, Main Street.

Wed. Apr. 25: 9:30 to 11 a.m., Rep. J. Miceli at 4A Colonial Park Mall, Wil.

Wed., April 25: 11 a.m. Legal clinic at Wil. Senior Center.

Wed., April 25: 7 to 9 p.m. Open house at Tewks. Junior H.S.

Wed., April 25: 8 p.m. Meeting of So. Wil. Betterment Assoc. at K of C Hall.

Thurs., April 26: 7 p.m. Pack 63 Pack meeting at K of C Hall.

Fri., Apr. 27: 9:30 to 11 a.m. Rep. J. Miceli at Tewks. Town Hall.

Fri., Apr. 27: 7 p.m. Free double feature Charlie Chaplin movies at Stoneham public library.

Sat., Apr. 28: 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rummage sale at Wil. Cong. Church, Rte. 62.

Sat., Apr. 28: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fair at Congregational Church, Tewks. center, by Camp Fire and Blue Birds.

Sat., Apr. 28: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Tewks. Art Guild exhibit and sale at Old Chapel, State Hosp.

Sat., Sun., Mon, Apr. 28, 29, 30: 1 p.m., Youth Hockey tryouts at Youth Ice Arena, Wil.

Sat., April 28: 6:30 p.m. Annual Emblem Club Scholarship Dinner Dance at Elks Hall.

Sun., Apr. 29: 12 noon to 4 p.m. Tewks. Art Guild exhibit and sale at Old Chapel, State Hosp.

Sun., April 29: 3 to 5 p.m., Public viewing of Wil. businessmen's contribution to Channel 2 Auction at Colonial Restaurant, Rte. 128, Lynnfield.

Sun., April 29: 2nd Annual Pops Concert and raffle benefit Tewks. H.S. Band.

Mon., April 30: Wil. C.O.A. meeting.

Mon., April 30: 8 p.m. C.O.P.E. meeting at home of Leslie Yauckoes, Chelmsford. 458-7005 for information.

Tues., May 1: 8 p.m., College night at W.H.S. Auditorium for juniors and parents.

Wed., May 2: 7 p.m., Dress rehearsal performance of Oklahoma for Tewks. elders. Call Center 851-7090 if going.

Wed., May 2: 8 p.m. meeting of Wilmington Newcomers' Club at Wil. Public Library with mini-chorus of Sweet Adelines.

Sat., May 5: Spotlighters' Flea Market, all day on sidewalk in front of Grant's Store, Wilmington Plaza.

Sun., May 6: All-day Wil. Kiwanis horse show at Clarke's Farm, Andover St., N. Wil. Tickets available from any Kiwanis Club member.

Sun., May 6: 2 to 4 p.m. Free tour and open house at Wil. Harnden Tavern. Refreshments.

Sun., May. 6: Testimonial dinner honoring Fr. O'Sullivan, OMI at K of C Hall, Main Street, Tewks.

Tues., May 8: Tewks. Golden Agers meeting and penny sale at Elks Hall.

Wed., May 9: Final meeting of Tewks Junior H.S. parents' group.

Fri., May 11, Sat., May 12: 7:30 p.m. W.H.S. Junior Class Variety Show, H.S. auditorium.

Sat., May 12: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Yard sale at White Hall by St. Dorothy's Sodality.

Please submit items for coming events listing at least one week before desired date of publication.

"Sand castles"

The Wilmington Recreation Department is already scheduling new and challenging activities for the coming summer.

One which should prove especially exciting is the world famous "Cranes Beach Sand Castles" contest. The Recreation Department will be sending two teams of 25 kids each to the dunes at Cranes where teams from around the state will be competing in this age-old passtime.

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David Richard is Airman First Class

David W. Richard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard J. Richard of 2284 Main St., Tewksbury has been promoted to airman first class in the U.S. Air Force.

He is a computer operater at Andrews AFB, Md., and serves with a unit of the Military Airlift Command.

Airman Richard is a 1974 graduate of Tewksbury Memorial High School.

Rep. Miceli's office hours

State Rep. James Miceli will hold his monthly office hours for constituents on the following dates:

Tewksbury (Town Hall) Tuesday, April 24 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, April 27 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Wilmington (at Colonial Park Mall) Monday, April 23 from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.; Wednesday, April 25 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

Spotlighters' bake sale

The Wilmington Spotlighters will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, April 21 at Wilmington Plaza.

Two weeks later, on Saturday, May 1, the Spotlighters will host their annual flea market, also at Wilmington Plaza. Anyone wishing to make donations of articles or clothing they no longer wish to keep is urged to call Barry Garden, 658-3976, Larry Doucette, 658-4586, or Bob Jennings, 658-8518.

Proceeds of both activities will benefit the Spotlighter's spring musical production of "The Sound of Music," to be presented in Wilmington High School auditorium June 1, 2 and 3.

For information and tickets, call Ann Whitney, 658-3948.

Dean's list

Kathleen Kazmaier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hadold Kazmaier of Evans Drive, Wilmington has been named to the dean's list at Gordon College, Wenham, for the winter term.

Kathleen, a graduate of WHS is a senior mathematics major at Gordon.

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Birthdays

Peto Hembree of Nickerson Avenue, Wilmington will be celebrating for the 14th time on April 23. Peto will be sharing her special day with Wayne Pilla of Wildwood Street; Steve Ethier of Woburn Street; Linda Fullerton of Beverly Avenue; F. James O'Donoghue of Lawrence Street and Nancy Marden of Woburn Street.

Steven McKenna of Allen Park Drive, Wilmington will be 10 years old on April 24. Dr. Ernest Wallent of Middlesex Avenue will be celebrating on the same day along with Thomas Arnold of Sheridan Road and John Parker of Brattle Street.

Tewksbury teenagers will have to push over and make room for one more next week....Bernadette Pacini of Boisvert Road will be 13 on April 25.

Others celebrating on April 25 include Paula Lembo of Tomahawk Drive, Tewksbury; Heidi Doyle of Boisvert Road; Janet Ethier of Woburn Street, Wilmington; Debbie Renihard of Middlesex Avenue; Mary West of Sprucewood Road; Victor Manni of Edwards Road and Dot Peters of Grant Street.

Billy Farr of Cedarcrest Road, Wilmington will face a birthday cake glowing with eight candles on April 26. Billy will be sharing greetings with Ralph DeLisle of Belmont Avenue, Wilmington; Sharon Atamian of Hathaway Road who will be celebrating for the 17th time and Linda Hanna of Park Street who will be six years old on April 26.

Diane Hancox of Kilmarnock Street, Wilmington will be serenaded by friends and relatives on April 27.

Lorry Doucette of Ledgewood Road, Wilmington will be celebrating on April 28.

Golden Ager

It would appear that Joe McElaney of Grove Avenue is the only member of Wilmington's Golden Age Club on the current birthday list. Joe will be celebrating on April 26.

Penny sale

The B.V.M. Sodality of St. Dorothy's Church will sponsor its annual double penny sale and raffle on Friday, April 20 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the lower church hall.

Donuts and coffee will be served and the public is invited.

Chaplin films

Friday, April 27 will begin a three-month feature film celebration of Charlie Chaplin at the Stoneham Public Library. The films will begin at 7 p.m. in the library hall and will be free of charge as are all library events.

Back from Florida

Ann and Harry Latta of Lawn Street, Wilmington have recently returned home following an enjoyable two week vacation touring Florida.

From the fire log

Members of Wilmington's Fire Department answered 41 calls for assistance last week including:

Fourteen ambulance runs; 10 brush fires; seven false alarms; seven car fires; one building fire and two service calls.

Nice going, Brownies!

The tip of the 'old fedora' goes this week to members of Brownie Troop 542, who, under the leadership of Ruth Stedman and Gwen Scott offered a perfectly delightful Easter pageant to residents of Wilmington's Deming Way.

The girls performed the play, "The First Easter Eggs" and presented each member of their delighted audience an Easter basket.

Following the presentation, appropriately decorated refreshments, also supplied by Brownie Troop 542, were served.

Girls taking part included: Tami Stedman, Michelle Scott, Jenifer Amodeo, Lynn Newhouse, Denise McLaughlin, Shelley O'Connell, Karen Snyder and Desiree Rowland.

Nice going, Brownie Troop 542.....more power to you!!!

Additional birthday

Commander John K. Burnham of Birchwood Road, Wilmington, currently serving on Okinawa, will observe his birthday on April 22.

Memorial Day Committee

Wilmington's Memorial Day Committee will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 24 at 7:30 p.m. in V.F.W. Hall, Main Street.

All those interested in helping out in any way are urged to be on hand.

Bake sale

The Wilmington Spotlighters will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, April 21, at Wilmington Plaza.

Anniversaries

If the records are correct, the anniversary star for this week goes overwhelmingly to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cail of Clark Street, Wilmington who will observe their 61st wedding anniversary on April 28.

A group of Moore Street residents, all mere beginners will be sharing the Cail's April 28 anniversary. Ted and Dot Lowry will dance the Anniversary Waltz for the 23rd time on the 28th and the Mike Ciara's will be celebrating for the sixth time.

Their anniversary almost slipped by unnoticed, but Fred and Mary Worby of Middlesex Avenue, North Wilmington celebrated their 52nd on April 17.

Stephanie Gates

Stephanie Gates of Ivy Court, Wilmington has graduated from Travel Education Center, Harvard Square, Cambridge.

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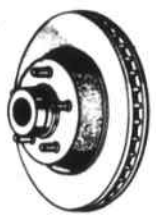

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Wilmington's last Gowing was Otis

One hundred years ago the name of Gowing was well known in Wilmington. There were seven or eight families. Some were butchers, some were lumbermen, and some were farmers.

Today no one has that name. A number of people are members of the Gowing Family association, and attend the yearly meeting, but the only Gowing in Wilmington is Gowing Road, and Gowing Brook, both of which are on the ancestral acres, off Park Street.

Daniel Gowing was the last lock keeper, at the Gillis Locks of the Middlesex Canal. Those were the locks near the foot of Shawsheen Avenue, where the old Route 129 bridge stands.

Daniel Gowing moved to North Billerica, in his old age, and died there. Some people of Wilmington are under the impression that he was the last of his name.

Such is not the case. The last Gowing was probably Otis. He lived in the ancestral farmhouse, today the Andersen farmhouse, off Park Street.

Otis Gowing died in 1920. Joseph McMahon, well known member of a Wilmington family liked to tell of the death of 'Ote', as he called Otis.

Otis was born in the old farmhouse of Park Street, in which his ancestors had lived ever since they moved up from Lynnfield on 1710. He was born in 1849, the son of Joshua and Clarissa Gowing. Otis was not the last child in the family, but he was the last to survive.

He was a little over twelve years old when the Confederates fired on Fort Sumter, and the Civil War began.

He was not yet sixteen when he joined the Army. Possibly he was the youngest man to serve in the Union Army, from Wilmington, during the Civil War.

Otis joined the Fifty First Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry. He was a Private, in Company D. Levi Swain, of Salem Street, was the First Corporal.

Company D was recruited locally. Mostly it was of men from Wilmington, North Reading and Reading, with a few from Andover and other Essex towns.

There were many inducements for joining the Fifty First. In the case of Levi Swain, who was the Constable of Wilmington, he joined after thinking the whole thing over. The pressure was on, and the war was swinging into its third year.

The Fifty First offered a one-year enlistment, and several cash bonuses. It was a good regiment, if one had to go. The story has been told how Levi posted the warrant, as Constable, for the special town meeting held in what is now the Legion Hall, and then joined the Army.

In the case of Otis, it probably was youthful enthusiasm.

The Fifty First mustered in Essex County, and was shipped to New Orleans by sea. One of the ships sunk, on the way, and it was the ship in which Company D was embarked. There is a well known Currier & Ives lithograph, showing the loss of that ship. No one in Company D was lost.

The company was sent up the Mississippi River. The Fifty First Massachusetts took part in the seige of Port Hudson, one of the last strongholds of the Confederates, on the Mississippi.

Company D was in the trenches, around Port Hudson, for about three days. The men saw a little action, but not much.

After the fall of Port Hudson the Fifty First was eventually shipped up river, by steamer. The men returned, from Illinois to Massachusetts, by rail. Otis, and other men of Company D were mustered out at the end of a year's service. The war was not yet over.

Before he was eighteen years old Otis Gowing was a discharged veteran soldier. He returned to the farm.

His mother died in 1865. She was 56. His father lived on for many years, finally passing on in 1880, at the age of 84. Otis was alone in the old Gowing farmhouse. He was to live there for the next 40 years.

Perhaps he joined the GAR, in Reading. There was none in Wilmington. He and Levi Swain and others of Company D did have a reunion, on at least one occasion.

Otis was a friendly person. He probably enjoyed his lonely life, as a bachelor farmer.

Being a farmer was to be self sufficient, but it did not bring in much ready cash. Otis was never a rich man.

He did get a small pension, for his war service. That cash was more than many of the Wilmington farmers ever saw.

Otis also served, from time to time, as a ballot counter, in the town meetings. He did not aspire to the post of Selectman.

In 1905 his second cousin, Ed Nelson Eames, was taking pictures of some of the sites in Wilmington, and the Gowing farmhouse was one such site. In front of it was an elm tree, called the Bunker Hill Elm. Reputedly it had been planted by a Gowing youth on the day of Bunker Hill, which, legend has it, could be heard from Wilmington.

That elm tree was in front of the Gowing house, and Ed Nelson Eames included it in his picture. He also took a picture of Otis, a picture which also still exists. It, like others by the late Ed Nelson Eames, is an excellent photograph.

Otis, or as Joe McMahon called him, Ote, was returning home from Wilmington Center, on June 26, 1920. That was when he died, and Joe always enjoyed relating the incident to his friends.

Otis was in his horse drawn buggy. He had gone down Concord Street and the buggy turned left onto Woburn Street, Possibly that was the last thing that Ote did, or possibly the horse turned without Ote to tug on the rein.

Anyway, shortly after making the turn the horse found some nice green grass, alongside the road. He stopped to eat that grass.

That was when someone came by, and saw Ote, still sitting upright in the buggy, dead. The only thing that was moving, Joe used to say, was Ote's white beard, waving in the breeze.

In the field — Otis Gowing, in the field at the Gowing Farm. Notice the neatly planted raspberry bushes, behind him.

The Gowing farmhouse — Dating back to approximately 1710, the Gowing farmhouse is today the Andersen home on Park Street.

In front of the house, on the right in this picture, is the famous Bunker Hill Elm, which tradition said was planted on the day of the battle of Bunker Hill. The door at the left no longer exists, but the stone step, which was set in front of that door, is still in position.

Gowing farmhouse dates from 1710

The Gowing farmhouse still stands, in North Wilmington, off Park Street. It dates back into the early 1700s. The first Gowing bought the property about 1710, and the farmhouse was built shortly thereafter. Like others in North Wilmington, the Gowing family came from Lynnfield.

It was on Bunker Hill Day that an event took place which is to be seen, in this picture, that is if one is willing to believe in tradition.

The noise of the battle, tradition says, could be heard in Wilmington.

And, at that time, according to the same tradition, a youth of the Gowing family had been using a switch, he had pulled from the ground, on the cattle. When the cattle were safely within the fenced-in area to which he was guiding them, he noticed that there were still roots on the switch he had been using.

That youth planted the switch, and it grew up to be an elm tree which survived for about 200 years.

A picture of the farmhouse, taken by Ed Nelson Eames, in 1905, shows that tree. It has long since been cut down.

Also noticeable in the picture is a door, on the west side of the building. That door, too, is gone, but the door step, a flat stone, placed there several hundred years ago, is still in place.

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Wednesday: Shake 'n Bake Turkey Sticks, Mashed Potato, Cranberry Sauce, Corn Niblets, Buttered Roll, Peaches and Whipped Topping and Milk.

Thursday: Chilled Juice, Baconburger on a Roll, Lettuce and Tomato, Potato Rounds, Peanut Butter Cookie and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Juice, Italian Pizza with Tomato and Cheese, Crispy Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

Wilmington school cafeteria menu

Monday: Tomato-Alphabet Soup, Frankfurter on Roll, Buttered Carrots, Potato Sticks, Brownies with Nuts and Milk.

Tuesday: Chilled Juice, American Chop Suey, Buttered Green Beans, French Bread and Butter, Jello with Topping and Milk.

Wednesday: Oven Baked Chicken, Fluffy Rice, Buttered Peas, Bread and Butter, Applesauce and Milk.

Thursday: Chilled Juice, Bologna and Cheese Submarine, Tomato and Lettuce, Potato Rounds, Scooter Pies and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Peaches, Italian Pizza, Cheese Wedges, Crisp Garden Salad, Ice Cream and Milk.

Shawsheen Tech menu

Monday: Chicken Croquettes with Gravy, Whipped Potato, Buttered Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Chilled Fruit and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Frankfurt in a Roll, Condiments, Potato Puffs, Buttered Vegetable, Chilled Fruit, and Milk.

Tuesday: Salisbury Steak with Gravy, Whipped Potato, Buttered Wax Beans, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Jello with Fruit and Topping and Milk - or - Meatball Submarine, Grated Cheese, Chilled Apple Juice, Buttered Wzx Beans, Jello with Fruit and Topping and Milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Grated Parmesian Cheese, Buttered Green Beans, Crisp Cherry Sticks, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Choice of Pudding with Topping and Milk - or - Tomato Soup, Hamburger on a Roll, Condiments, Potato Puffs, Celery Sticks, Choice of Pudding with Topping and Milk.

Thursday: Scrambled Hamburg with Gravy, Whipped Potato, Cranberry Sauce, Buttered Seven Minute Cabbage, Fresh Baked Buttered Roll, Dessert and Milk - or - Chicken Vegetable Soup, Fishwich, Tartar Sauce and Catsup, Potato Puffs, Cole Slaw, Dessert and Milk.

..**Friday:** Vegetable Soup, Buttered Corn Niblets, Tomato and Cheese Pizza, Ice Cream and Milk - or - Vegetable Soup, Tuna Salad on a Roll, Crisp Garden Salad, Potato Chips, Pickles, Ice Cream and Milk.

Arthur Baker to train in civil engineering

Airman Arthur Baker has been selected for technical training in the Air Force civil engineering structural and pavements field, at the Sheppard Air Force Base, in Texas.

Baker recently completed basic training at Lackland Air Base in Texas.

A 1977 graduate of Wilmington High School, he is the brother of Louise Bryand and Ray Baker of 1 Mystic Ave., Wilmington.

Carol Lombard in Brave Sheild 19

Private Carol Lombard, 19, US Army, is participating in Brave Shield 19, a joint readiness exercise being held in central Texas. The operation involves nearly 16,000 troops, and is designed to test selected Air Force, Army, Army Reserve and National Guard units in the performance of specific missions in a combat environment. Approximately 600 tracked vehicles, 1650 wheeled vehicles and about 140 Army and Air Force Aircraft are being used in the exercise.

Carol, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lombard of 72 Glen Road, Wilmington, is a behavioral science specialist with the 2nd Armored Division, at Fort Hood, Texas.

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The bride-to-be is a graduate of Worcester State College and is employed by Bay State National Bank, Lawrence.

Her fiance is a 1969 graduate of Wilmington High School and attended North Adams State College. He is employed by Wilmington Sales, Inc.

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The Mass Bay Transit Authority will appear before the Wilmington Conservation Commission on Thursday evening, seeking to lower the tracks under the Burlington Avenue railroad bridge in Wilmington Center. The railroad needs more clearance for freight trains to pass under the bridge, but the area is already subject to flooding.

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obituaries

Services Thursday for Stephen T. Joyce

Stephen T. Joyce of 251A Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington died on arrival at the Regional Health Center in Wilmington early Monday morning where he was taken after being involved in an automobile accident.

Mr. Joyce, who was 21 years of age, was born in Melrose, the son of Thomas S. and Evelyn W. (Evans) Joyce. He was a life-long resident of Wilmington and had attended the Wilmington School system.

He was a former employee of F & R Auto Parts of Wilmington, and at the time of his death, was employed by Astrodyne Company, Wilmington as a machine operator.

Besides his parents, he is survived by his sister, Mrs. Theresa Plunkett of Stoneham; his brother John E. Joyce of Wilmington and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Skinner of West Canaan, N.H.

The funeral will be held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main Street, Wilmington on Thursday morning at 8:00 followed by a funeral mass at St. Thomas Church at 9:00, which will be celebrated by the Rev. Francis Mackin.

Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday evening from from 7:00 to 9:00.

Dorothy M. Stacy 35 years in Tewksbury

Mrs. Dorothy M. Stacy, of 14 Michigan Road, Tewksbury died at Melrose-Wakefield Hospital on Friday morning.

Mrs. Stacy, who was 58 years of age, was born in Cambrdige, the daughter of the late John W. McIntyre and the late Mary Z. (Fougere) McIntyre. She had been a resident of Tewksbury for the past 35 years and had been employed as a licensed practical nurse for the Family Service, Lowell.

Mrs. Stacy was the wife of Leroy W. Stacy and is survived by her six children, Mrs. Patricia Carrol of York, Maine; Donald F. Corson of Wilmington; Dennis J. Corson of Tewksbury; Mrs. Jeanne M. Osborne of Chester, N.H.; Mrs. Sharon L. Corson of Chelmsford; Roger A. Stacy of Tewksbury; her two stepchildren, James L. Stacy of Wilmington and Michael F. Stacy of Malden and her sister Mrs. Claire Cuddy of New Bedford.

The funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main Street, Wilmington on Tuesday morning at 9:00 followed by a funeral mass at St. Dorothy's Church at 10:00 celebrated by the Rev. Father William Smith.

Burial took place in the family lot, Tewksbury Cemetery.

Donald Martel by accident

Donald W. Martel, 16, of East Street, Tewksbury died in a railroad accident near his home Friday.

Born in Lowell, he was the son of Arnold and Joan (White) Martel and was a ninth grade student at Tewksbury Junior High School.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. James (Donna) Bent of Chelsea and Elizabeth Martel of Tewksbury; four brothers, Arnold Jr., Edward, Mark and Michael Martel, all of Tewksbury; and his paternal grandparents, Odina and Mary Agnes Martel of Deerfield, N.H.

He was buried Tuesday morning from the Tewksbury Funeral Home following a 10 a.m. funeral mass at St. William's Church. He was buried in Deerfield, N.H.

Joseph P. Sullivan, Tewksbury Highway Department

Joseph P. Sullivan of 86 Vernon Street, Tewksbury died at St. John's Hospital on Wednesday morning.

Mr. Sullivan, who was 68 years of age, was born in East Boston, the son of the late Alice (Joy) and the late Daniel Sullivan. He had lived in Somerville during his younger years and had been a resident of Tewksbury for the past 30 years.

Mr. Sullivan had been employed as a foreman for the Tewksbury Highway Department. He was a member of the Tewksbury Council Knights of Columbus, Greater Nashua Senior Bowling League, St. Dorothy's Church Choir, and had served as an usher for St. Dorothy's for many years. He was a former member of the Board of Directors of the Tewksbury Municipal Credit Union.

He was the husband of the late Margaret (Bradly) and is survived by his three children, Mrs. Patricia M. Kelly of Scott Air Force Base, Illinoin; Miss Marie B. Sullivan of Tewksbury and Joseph B. Sullivan of Amherst, N.H.; his two sisters, Mrs. Lillian Casaletto of East Boston, Mrs. Anna Kelley of Wakefield; two brothers, Leo Sullivan of East Boston and Frank Sullivan of Concord.

The funeral was held from the W.S. Cavanaugh & Son Funeral Home, 374 Main Street, Wilmington on Saturday morning at 8:00 followed by a blessing at St. Dorothy's Church at 9:00 celebrated by the Rev. J. Kevin McAndrews. Burial took place in the family lot, Tewksbury Cemetery.

A pro-burial mass was celebrated at St. Dorothy's Church on Monday at 10 a.m.

Mary J. Williams was 82

Mrs. Mary J. Williams, (Shine) a resident of Deming Way, Wilmington passed away at Choate Memorial Hospital on Tuesday, April 3 following a lengthy illness.

Born in Boston 82 years ago, Mrs. Williams was the wife of the late Ernest L. and the mother of Mrs. Mary A. Silva of Hobson Avenue, Wilmington and the late Margaret T. Kochel of California.

She was the sister of Elizabeth Stuart of Hyde Park and Helen Mesko of Jamaica, New York. She is also survived by her four grandchildren William J. Silva of Wilmington; MaryLou Sims of Conn.; Patrica J. Silva and Frank Kochel of California.

A 9 a.m. funeral mass was celebrated by Father Pearsall of St. Thomas Church on Saturday, April 7. Burial was in Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington.

Pall bearers for Mrs. Williams were William J. Silva, William M. Sims, Robert Kenney, Charles Ganno. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the Nichols Funeral Home of Wilmington.

Regional Health Center in Wilmington

Friends, relatives and loved ones honored by contributions in their memory to the Regional Health Center in Wilmington this week include:

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In memory of Betty June Irwin, from Mr. and Mrs. William Gable.

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Wilmington Cancer drive goes door-to-door Tuesday

Bob Cain, Cancer Crusade Chairman for Wilmington has enlisted and mobilized 225 Crusaders for the single most important event of the American Cancer Society's annual appeal, the house-to-house canvas. Bob's corps of volunteers will be calling on their neighbors and friends.

The house-to-house campaign will be conducted on Tuesday, April 24, and Jo O'Neil, who heads up that portion of the drive.

"About 128,000 people who might have been saved by earlier treatment will die of cancer in 1979. One out of every four of these people could probably have been saved with earlier diagnosis and prompt treatment," said Cain.

"The American Cancer Society needs money to further its educational programs, services, and research," he said. "We want to make sure that the citizens of Wilmington are aware of cancer's seven warning signals, and that they take advantage of the many clinics, programs and services offered by the Society.

"Our goal this year is to raise $2,503,000 in the Massachusetts Cancer Crusade and to save the lives of thousands who might otherwise die, through early detection and prompt treatment."

Cain's volunteers will join the army of 95,000 Cancer Crusaders in the Commonwealth seeking contributions for the fight against cancer, and reminding the public of the need for regular health checkups.

Cancer Month

Wilmington's Cancer Crusade Chairman Bob Cain (right) visited with Governor Edward King for the proclamation of Cancer Control Month. Also present were former Governor Francis Sargent and Mrs. King.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held in the Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. on April 23, 1979 at the office of the Board of Selectmen, in compliance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 148, Section 13, on the application of Wilfab Associates Trust for a license to store 10,000 gallons No. 2 fuel oil underground on a lot of land at 235 Andover Street, Wilmington. A plot plan is made part of this application.

Aldo A. Caira, Chmn.
A18 Board of Selectmen

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT
MIDDLESEX ss.

Cynthia M. Sarafian Plaintiff
vs. Edward G. Sarafian Defendant
Summons by Publication

To the above-named Defendant:

A complaint has been presented to this Court by your spouse, Cynthia M. Sarafian, seeking a divorce on the grounds of irretrievable breakdown of the marriage, under M.G.L. Ch. 208, SIB.

You are required to serve upon Ronald Witmer, plaintiff's attorney, whose address is Harvard Legal Aid Bureau, 1511 Mass. Ave., Cambridge, Mass. 02138 your answer on or before June 18, 1979. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at East Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esq., First Judge of said Court at Cambridge.
April 7, 1979

Paul J. Cavanaugh
A11,18,25 Register of Probate

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF APPEALS
OFFICIAL MAP
S-9-79

A Public Hearing will be held at the Town Hall Annex, 150 Middlesex Avenue, Wilmington on May 8, 1979, at 7:30 p.m., on the application of William R. Harrison, Jr., 25 Belmont Avenue, to construct a single family dwelling on land owned by John Lucci, Lawrence Street (Shown on Assessors' Map 41 Parcel 14) and not shown on the Official Map (G.L. ch. 41, S.81E), on a way known as Hanover Street.

Bruce MacDonald
A18,25 Board of Appeals

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT
Middlesex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of Herbert J. Cormier late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will codicil of said deceased by John E. Sutherland Esq 472 Putnam Ave., Cambridge, Mass. of Cambridge in the County of Middlesex praying that he be appointed administrator with the will annexed of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the third day of May 1979, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Edward T. Martin, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of March 1979.

Paul J. Cavanaugh,
A4,11,18 Register

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT
Middlesex, ss.

To all persons interested in a petition for adoption of Deborah Ann Lena of Wilmington in said County.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Anthony R. Errico and Kathleen T. Errico his wife, of Wilmington in said County, praying for leave to adopt said Deborah Ann Lena a child of Robert Lena of parts unknown and Kathleen T. Lena his former wife, and that the name of said child be changed to Deborah Ann Errico.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Lowell before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of June 1979, the return day of this citation.

Witness, Edward T. Martini, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of March 1979.

Paul J. Cavanaugh
A4,11,18 Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT
MIDDLESEX SS. No. 124349

Michael James Sarno Plaintiff
vs. Summons by Publication
Margaret Maria Sarno Defendant

To the above-named Defendant:

A complaint has been presented to this Court by your spouse, Michael James Sarno, seeking a divorce.

You are required to serve upon C. Thomas Faust plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 53 State Street, Boston, MA. 02109 your answer on or before May 14, 1979. If you fail to do so, the Court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Cambridge.

Witness Edward T. Martin, Esq., First Judge of said Court at Cambridge.
March 16, 1979

Paul J. Cavanaugh
A4,11,18 Register of Probate

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
REG.40003

To the Town of Wilmington, a municipal corporation, located in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth; Leonard A. Chisholm, Noreen R. Pinkston, Gary L. Arnold and Alice M. Chisholm, all of said Wilmington;

George B. Donovan and Eleanor M. Donovan, both of Tewksbury, Middlesex County, and said Commonwealth; Calista Davis, residence unknown, or her heirs, devisees, or legal representatives; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by David John Sweeney and Jeannine Dumais Sweeney, both of Boston, Suffolk County, and said Commonwealth, to register and confirm their title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Wilmington, bounded and described as follows:

Southwesterly by land now or formerly of the Town of Wilmington, by Columbia Street, by First Avenue, and by land now or formerly of Noreen R. Pinkston, 65.15 feet, 179.49 feet, 41.97 feet and 178.44 feet, respectively; Northeasterly and Northwesterly by land now or formerly of Leonard A. Chisholm and Alice M. Chisholm, 80.11 feet and 105.84 feet, respectively;

Northeasterly by land now or formerly of said Leonard A. Chisholm and Alice M. Chisholm, 386 feet; Southeasterly by land now or formerly of said Leonard A. Chisholm and Alice M. Chisholm, 200 feet. Shown as Lot 1 on a plan hereinafter-mentioned.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

If you desire to make any objection or defense to said petition you or your attorney must file a written appearance and an answer under oath, setting forth clearly and specifically your objections or defense to each part of said petition, in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston (at the Court House), or in the office of the Assistant Recorder of said Court at the Registry of Deeds at Lowell in the County of Middlesex where a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited, on or before the twenty-first day of May next.

Unless an appearance is so filed by or for you, your default will be recorded, the said petition will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, WILLIAM I. RANDALL, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this sixth day of April in the year nineteen hundred and seventy-nine.

Attest with Seal of said Court.
(Seal)

JEANNE M. MALONEY,
A18,25,M2 Deputy Recorder
Robert J. Carnevale, Esq.
700 Chelmsford Street,
Lowell, Ma. 01851

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

PLANNING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Board of the Town of Wilmington will hold a public hearing in the Wilmington Public Library Conference Room, at 8:00 P.M., Tuesday, May 8, 1979 on certain articles to appear in the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting to be held on May 19, 1979.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Wilmington Zoning By-Law, Section VIII-4C.4. by adding after the words "filing thereof." the following: "The applicant shall notify all abutters in writing not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the public hearing on said special permit."; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Wilmington Zoning By-Law by deleting in its entirety Section III-4.A.13. which reads, "Research or testing laboratory, excluding the raising or keeping of animals."; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Wilmington Zoning By-Law by deleting in its entirety Section III-4.B.4. which reads, "Indoor breeding laboratory for medical or scientific research."; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Wilmington Zoning By-Law by deleting in its entirety Section III-4.B.5. which reads, "Any other lawful business, storage, or manufacturing use in which the operations involved do not result in greater hazard or nuisance through danger of fire or explosion or through creation or emission of noise, vibration, dust, waste, heat, smoke, fumes, odor, or glare than the uses specifically listed as permitted in this by-law."; or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law and Zoning Map of the Town of Wilmington by voting to re-zone from General Business District and Single Residential A District to Industrial District the following described parcel of land to wit:

Beginning on Concord Street, the land bounded on the north by Concord Street; on the west by Route I-93; on the South by the Ipswich River; and on the east by North Reading Town line; or do anything in relation thereto.

Wilmington Planning Board
John W. DeRoy, Chmn.
A18,25

MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Thomas B. Hodgson and Dorothy E. Hodgson to The Central Savings Bank dated February 2, 1967 and recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Book 1784, Page 283, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction at two o'clock P.M. on the 17th day of May, 1979, on the premises described in said mortgage, being 5 Kelley Terrace, Tewksbury, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage:

To Wit: The land, with the buildings thereon, situated in said Tewksbury, on the southerly side of Kelley Road, and being shown as Lot 5 on a plan of land dated June 22, 1948, Dana F. Perkins, C.E., recorded with the Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 73, Plan 19, and bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by Lot 7, as shown on said plan, 100.00 feet;

EASTERLY by Lot 4, as shown on said plan, 130.00 feet;

NORTHERLY by Kelley Road, by three courses: 45.35 feet, 43.14 feet, and 12.00 feet; and

WESTERLY by Lot 6, as shown on said plan, 138.52 feet.

Containing 13,300 square feet of land according to said plan.

Subject to rights recorded with said Deeds, Book 704, Page 425, and to any rights of the Town of Tewksbury for a taking recorded with said Deeds, Book 1111, Page 266.

Subject to restrictions of record, if any there be now in force and applicable.

Being the same premises conveyed to the mortgagors herein by deed of John F. Sullivan and Jeannette Sullivan dated May 1, 1964, and recorded with said Deeds, Book 1645, Page 570.

Terms of Sale: Two Thousand ($2,000) Dollars to be paid in cash by the purchaser at the time and place of the sale and the balance payable fifteen days thereafter.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

The Central Savings Bank
by Paul S. Rousseau, Pres.
April 11, 1979 Present holder
A18,25,M2 of said Mortgage

No hydrant

There is, some people feel, a need for a hydrant on Belmont Avenue, in Wilmington. In fact, there was a letter in the Boston Globe, about a month ago, asking where did our hydrant go?

Belmont Avenue was developed about 75 years ago. It is not laid out for a 50 foot width. It is not laid out for a 40 foot width. In fact some parts of the street are only 22 feet wide.

Some months ago the Wilmington Water Department had a demand from one home on that street. The gentleman of the household wanted to know why he had to have a hydrant on his private property. Maybe he wanted to build a garage. Possibly he may have wanted to extend the lawn. Anyway, he felt certain that he should not have to have a hydrant on his property, for which he pays taxes.

So the Water Department took the hydrant out.

Now others on the street are worried. They fear that there might be a fire, and the fire fighters might have to stretch a hose for a quarter of a mile or so. That, possibly, occasioned the letter to the Globe.

To try to put a hydrant on the street is practically impossible. Not when the street is only 22 feet wide.

To put the hydrant on the other side is nearly as impossible. Maybe it could be done. The water main is across the street. A trench would have to be dug, the traffic disrupted, and all sorts of difficulties are envisioned.

It would cost probably more than $1,000 to put in. The Water Department doesn't feel the cost is justified.

So there is no hydrant, on that part of Belmont Avenue.

Wilmington Congregational Church

The Rev. Charles Koomruian, interim minister.

Thurs. April 19: 9:45 a.m., Bible study; 7 p.m., Boy Scouts; 7:30 p.m., Stewardship Committee.

Fri., April 20: 7:45 p.m., Bible class at the home of the Sowyrdas, 7 Davis Road.

Sat., April 21: 6:30 p.m., Couples Club 6:30 p.m.; 7:30 p.m., Senior High P.F.

Sun., April 22: 9:30 a.m., Church School; 10 a.m., Confirmation Class; 11 a.m., Worship; noon, Coffee hour and bake sale; 5 p.m., Junior High P.F.

Mon., April 23: 8 p.m., Prayer and Praise gathering at the home of Diane Fielding, 7 Hopkins St.

Tues., April 24: 6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts; 7 p.m., Church Council.

Wed., April 25: 9:30 a.m., Bible study at the home of Carol Trout, 6 Lawrence St.; 6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts; 7 p.m., Senior Choir.

Wilmington United Methodist Church

The Rev. Richard L. Evans, pastor, 658-8217; Daniel T. Moore, asst. pastor, 658-2912; office, 658-4519.

Sun., April 22: 8:45 a.m., Early worship and communion; 10 a.m., Family worship and sermon, School of Christian Living; 4:45 p.m., Confirmation class; 6 p.m., No. Sr. United Methodist Youth Fellowship, Jr. United Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Mon., April 23: 6:30 p.m., Girl Scout Troop 343; 7 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 59; 7:30 p.m., Commission on Evangelism; 8 p.m., Board of Trustees.

Tues., April 24: 3:30 p.m., Girl Scout Troop 487; 7:30 p.m., Commission on Missions, Chancel Choir rehearsal; 8:30 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous in Fellowship Hall.

Wed., April 25: 6:30 p.m., Girl Scout Troop 223; 7 p.m., Webelos 59; 7:30 p.m., Pastor Parish Relations Committee.

Thurs., April 26: 10 a.m., Bible study with child care; 3:15 p.m., Brownies 20; 7:30 p.m., Teachers Training Workshop, Proof.

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with Section 16 of Chapter 3 of the Revised By-Laws of the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilmington, the Selectmen hereby give notice of their intention to sell and convey Town-owned land situated on a way known as Dewey Avenue, said parcel acquired by low value sale to town, to an abutting owner, on Monday, April 23, 1979, at 7:45 p.m. at the Town Hall. The parcel to be sold is identified as lot 320 of Silver Lake Park and is shown on Assessors' Map 45 as Parcel 23A, to which reference is made for a more particular description.

Aldo A. Caira, Chmn.
A11,18 Board of Selectmen

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE COURT
Middlesex, ss.

To all persons interested in the estate of John Foye also known as John E. Foye late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for probate of a certain instrument purporting to be the last will of said deceased by Grace A. Foye of Wilmington in the County of Middlesex praying that she be appointed executrix thereof without giving a surety on her bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the first day of May 1979, the return day of this citation.

Witness, EDWARD T. MARTIN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of March 1979.

Paul J. Cavanaugh,
A4,11,18 Register.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the POWER OF SALE contained in a certain mortgage given by Ronald A. Lena and Christine E. Lena, husband and wife, both of Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, to Reading Savings Bank, Reading, Massachusetts 01867 dated September 18, 1975 and recorded with Middlesex North District Deeds, Book 2165, Page 317, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction at ten o'clock A.M. on the twenty-sixth day of April A.D. 1979, on the premises all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, To wit:

The land with the buildings thereon situated in said Wilmington, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, being the Northerly half of Lots 190 and 191, said lots being shown on a plan entitled "Pinegrove Park, Silver Lake, Mass., 1909, John S. Grossman, C.E." recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 26 as plan 25, and together bounded and described as follows:

EASTERLY by River Street, as shown on said plan, 50 feet;

SOUTHERLY by land now or formerly of Laura Myrtle Riley, being the Southern half of Lots 190 and 191 on said plan, 50 feet;

WESTERLY by Lot 189, as shown on said plan, 50 feet; and

NORTHERLY by Lot 192, as shown on said plan, 50 feet.

Containing 2,500 square feet of land more or less.

Also a second parcel of land being Lots 188 and 189 as shown on the above mentioned plan, being together bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by Harvard Avenue, as shown on said plan, 50 feet;

WESTERLY by Lot 216, as shown on said plan, 100 feet;

NORTHERLY by Lot 192, as shown on said plan, 50 feet; and

EASTERLY by Lot 190, as shown on said plan, 100 feet.

Containing 5,000 square feet of land according to said plan.

Being the same premises conveyed to us by deed of Frederick J. Lena et ux of even date and recorded herewith.

Terms of Sale: Five Hundred Dollars in cash or by certified check at the time and place of the sale, the balance payable in cash or by certified check not later than ten (10) days following the sale at the office of Attorney William H. Diamond, 23 Woburn Street, Reading, Mass. Subject to outstanding taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Signed: READING SAVINGS BANK
by: Richard C. Forrest
March 29, 1979 Treasurer
Present holder of said mortgage
A4,11,18

TOWN OF WILMINGTON

BOARD OF APPEALS
Case 40-79

A Public Hearing will be held at the Town Hall Annex, 150 Middlesex Avenue on May 8, 1979, at 7:00 p.m., on the application of Bioassay Systems Corporation, 100 Inman Street, Cambridge, Ma., to obtain a special permit pursuant to section III-4B (4) and (5) to authorize a biological and environmental research and development laboratory including testing functions involving the raising and keeping of animals for medical and scientific research, for property located on Ballardvale Street. (Assessors' Map R2-part of 23)

Bruce MacDonald
A18,25 Board of Appeals

BOARD OF APPEALS
Case 41-79

A Public Hearing will be held at the Town Hall Annex, 150 Middlesex Avenue, on May 8, 1979, at 7:00 p.m., on the application of Manzo Truck Service and Ref., Inc. 200 Andover Street, to acquire a special permit in accordance with section III-4-B-5 authorizing the storage, cleaning & repair of trucks and trailers. (Assessors' Map R1 Lot 11)

Bruce MacDonald
A18,25 Board of Appeals

senior topics

Grandparents for Brownies

Several senior citizen shut-ins received Easter candy last week from one of Wilmington's Brownie troops. The exercise may just be the first step in an on-going relationship for the Brownies and the seniors. Any senior citizen willing to be a "grandparent" for the troop should leave his or her name in the Drop-in Center. Any names will be passed on to the troop leader, who would then contact the volunteer. It is an excellent opportunity for an older person who has no grandchildren, or whose grandchildren are a long way away.

Guests of Kiwanis

Eighteen of Wilmington's seniors were guests of the Wilmington Kiwanis Club last week at Rocco's Restaurant. After an enjoyable dinner, the group heard a talk from Father William Smith of St. Dorothy's.

Diabetes Clinic

The Diabetic Clinic will be held at the Drop-in Center on Thursday, April 19 starting at 1:30 p.m. Ann Butters and Abbie McQuaid will be administering the test.

Housing

Applications for admission to the new Billerica Federally Funded Housing for the Elderly, will be taken on April 25 at 10 a.m. Any senior may apply for an apartment in any Federally funded elderly housing no matter where they live. So any of our seniors who might be interested in this type of housing, should make out an application at the Billerica Housing Authority, 13 Rivers Street, Billerica on April 25.

Social Security questions

Anyone having questions regarding Social Security can now take them to Woburn. A representative of the Lowell office will be at Woburn City Hall every Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The representatives will be ready to answer questions on most any Social Security question, be it late checks, incorrect amounts, Medicaid, or benefits available.

Wilmington seniors' menu

Monday: Tomato-Alphabet Soup, Franks and Baked Beans, Brown Bread and Butter, Brownies with Nuts and Milk.

Tuesday: Chilled Juice, American Chop Suey, Buttered Green Beans, French Bread and Butter, Jello with Topping and Milk.

Wednesday: Oven Baked Chicken, Fluffy Rice, Buttered Beets, Bread and Butter, Applesauce Cake and Milk.

Thursday: Chilled Juice, Roast Beef Dinner, Mashed Potato, Mixed Vegetables, Rolls and Butter, Dessert and Milk.

Friday: Chilled Fruit, Fisherman Dinner, Baked Haddock, Potato Rounds, Creamy Cole Slaw, Ice Cream and Milk.

Minuteman Home Care menu

Served at Burlington Senior Citizens' Friendship Center, 45 Center Street, Burlington where nutrition aide is Kay Cavanaugh. Call 272-9552 for reservations.

North Woburn-Wilmington: North Congregational Church, 896 Main St., Woburn. Site manager is Louise Nunziato. Call 933-8643 for reservations.

Reservations must be made by 11 a.m. the day before planned participation. Menus subject to change without notice. Transportation available, expecially for handicapped people.

Monday: Orange Juice, Rost Turkey, Gravy, Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce, Peas, Wheat Bread, Pears, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Tuesday: Shells with Meat Sauce, Sliced Cheese, Italian Bread, Tapioca Pudding, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Wednesday: Citrus Juice, Turkey Tetrazzini, Mixed Vegetables, Rye Bread, Chocolate Chip Cookie, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Thursday: Apple Juice, Roast Beef Au Jus, Whipped Potato, Squash, Dinner Roll, Fresh Fruit, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Friday: Tomato Juice, Fish Cakes, Tartar Sauce, Baked Beans, Brown Bread, Pineapple Chunks, Milk, Coffee or Tea.

Scouters honored

Distinguished service to Scouting has earned the Award of Merit for two Wilmington Scouters, Louise Fillio and Al Deprez.

Wilmington Scout leaders honored

Two Wilmington Scouters have received the Award of Merit for outstanding service to Scouting. They are Louise Fillio of Hardin Street and Alfred Deprez of 314 Salem Street.

Mrs. Fillio first entered Cubbing as a Den Leader with Pack 136 in Wilmington and has stayed there for nine years serving as Den Leader, Den Leader Coach and Treasurer.

She has served on the District Council Roundtable staffs, with the Powe Wow, and the Cub Scout Day Camp (on the staff of the first one) and has served with the Cub Scout Olympics.

Attending seminars at the University of Cubbing for three years she has conducted many training sessions and is currently serving as Cub Training Chairman for the Council.

She organized the first Council Bowl-a-thon, and leads a full, active community life with her five children.

Depres started service with Troop 63 as an Assistant Scoutmaster. He still remains in that position, but is also serving as Unit Commissioner and Roundtable Commissioner.

Fully trained he has his Commissioners Arrowhead Honor, Wood Badge, and has completed Regional Winter Survival Training.

He has served on committees for Klondikes, Camporees, Bowl-a-thon, District Awards Banquet, and worked with the VFW State-wide Scouting Activities.

Membership coffee for League of Women Voters

Persons interested in learning about the Wilmington League of Women Voters may do so on Tuesday evening, April 24. The League will hold a membership coffee at the home of Nancy Lovetere at 18 Lexington St. off Cunningham Street in Wilmington.

Tuesday evening's program will include a presentation of how government works and how citizens can influence it, both as individuals and as League members.

The League is a non-partisan organization which does not support any political candidates or parties. It is based on a belief that citizens should actively study and influence the governmental issues that affect their lives.

Most recently, the Wilmington League of Women Voters has become involved in a study of zoning and land use. Also underway is a study of Wilmington's water supply and quality. The League also co-sponsors the student government program, along with the School Department and town officials.

Town Crier Sports

Rick Cooke Photo

Congratulations to a tired double winner

Wilmington High School's Heidi Wiberg accepts congratulations and a shoulder to rest on after winning the 100 yard dash in the meet with Andover Thursday.

Heidi also won the long jump, missing the school record by a quarter of an inch. See story below.

MVC baseball openers

Wildcats mash Austin; Andover nips Redmen

by Rick Cooke

The Merrimack Valley Conference baseball openers for the Wilmington Wildcats and the Tewksbury Redmen were chilled, wind-swept and rain-soaked Monday morning, but both teams managed to complete a full seven innings of play with the customary mixed results of an opening day.

Coach Jimmy Gillis' Wildcats were far from perfect in the field, committing three errors, but they compensated with their mash attack as deep drives were flying off the bats - surprising to say the least for a first game.

The Merrimack Valley is pitching thin this spring - and if the first games are any indication then several 10-9, 12-10 scores can be expected along the way.

The Redmen got their share of spotty pitching - as lefties Ron Wallace and Steve Marsh meshed power with wildness as rookie coach John Bresnahan is still looking for his first win at the varsity helm.

Wilmington split a pair of non-league games with Bedford before belting Austin Prep 6-3 in the drizzle Monday morning while the Redmen, who tend to suffer with slow starts early in the season because of a lack of scrimmages prior to their openers, dropped a 4-2 non-league game at Lowell's Alumni Field before losing a strange 6-5 game at Andover Monday.

The Redmen may be without a home playing field until at least Friday when they are scheduled to host Billerica. The Hazel Field was not in shape for Monday morning's scheduled home game with Andover.

Methuen (10 a.m. today, April 18), Billerica (10 a.m., Friday) and Lawrence (3:30 p.m. Monday at Tewksbury) are next for the Redmen with the Wildcats travelling to Andover today (April 18) for a morning start before hosting Methuen in what should be an interesting game Friday morning. The Cats wrap up their week with a game at Billerica Monday afternoon.

Wildcats club Austin Prep, 6-3

"A win is a win," said Wildcat coach Jimmy Gillis before admitting that the 1979 edition of Wilmington baseball has some mashers capable of matching up to the batting skills of his 1977 Eastern Mass Championship team.

Gillis remains worried about the fielding and pitching however. The big bats wiped out any worries that Gillis may have had going into the team's MVC opener Monday morning as Wilmington clubbed Austin Prep 6-3 in a steady drizzle at the WHS diamond.

Senior righthander Steve LaFave recovered from a batch of recent ailments to go the seven inning distance, walking one and striking out one while allowing just four hits. LaFave got a good workout in the opener, throwing 97 pitches - 32 of which were balls.

Wilmington got to Cougar righty Paul Tower for two runs in the first inning, one in the third and two more in the fifth before scoring an insurance run in the seventh inning.

The Wildcats reached Tower for a pair of runs on three hits in the first frame as Gary Hastings ripped a double and Scott Richards followed with a 450 foot homer to send the locals up 2-0.

Richards, who looks like a top notch high school hitter, also slapped a single to finish with two RBI's. Senior outfielder Joe Simmons proved to be no slouch with the stick in the first MVC game with a triple and a single while junior designated hitter Chris Nolan went three for three with an RBI for the winners.

Junior catcher Dave Woods, a much improved hitter according to Wilmington Recreation baseball coach Dick Scanlon, whacked out a triple and a sacrifice fly to drive in two runs with the other WHS RBI going to junior John Ferguson who did the job with a sacrifice fly.

Senior secondbaseman Kevin Brander banged a double and LaFave chipped in with another two-bagger.

The Wildcats took Cougar pitching deep throughout the morning with eight towering drives to the outfield that would have been well over the portable fencing that has been removed.

The Wilmington junior varsity lost 10-7 after battling back from a 9-1 deficit late in the game. Losing pitcher Glen Sargent helped his cause with a homer and two RBI's and Rusty Ryan wielded a strong bat with a triple among his two hits to drive in a run.

Wildcats tip Bedford 5-3

The Wildcats avenged the opening game non-league loss at Bedford with a homerun triggered win at WHS Thursday. Hastings led off the game with a homer and the home club put the visitors away in that first inning when LaFave cracked another round tripper after Richards singled and Simmons tripled Scott home.

LaFave's two run shot gave winning pitcher Ferguson a 4-0 lead in the first inning and the junior righthander hung tough with that gap, walking four, striking out five and allowing eight hits.

Bedford cut the Wilmington lead to 4-3 in the top half of the sixth inning before a double steal scoring Steve Scanlon gave the Wildcats an insurance run in the bottom half of the inning.

Hastings and Richards paced the Wilmington attack with a pair of hits apiece.

Bedford bounces Wildcats, 6-5

A two base error with the bases loaded ignited a four run fifth as Bedford held on to nip Wilmington 6-5 in a non-league opener for both teams last Wednesday at the Bedford High

Baseball page 10

Rick Cooke Photo

Lisa blinds St. Mary's

WHS pitcher Lisa Madden fires the final pitch in a 8-5 Wildcat win over St. Mary's of Lawrence Thursday.

Wilmington begins MVC play this week.

MVC girls track

Barlow, Von Schantz, Wiberg star for locals

Methuen belted the TMHS girls track team 85-33 in the first MVC meet last week, but senior Patty Barlow set a Tewksbury record in the javelin with a heave of 116'11¼".

Patty also won the 880 with a fine time of 2:31.6

Von Schantz, Wiberg shine

Two miler Deanna Von Schantz and long jumper-sprinter Heidi Wiberg came up with stellar performances for the Wilmington High track girls in a 102-16 loss to powerful Andover at the WHS track Thursday.

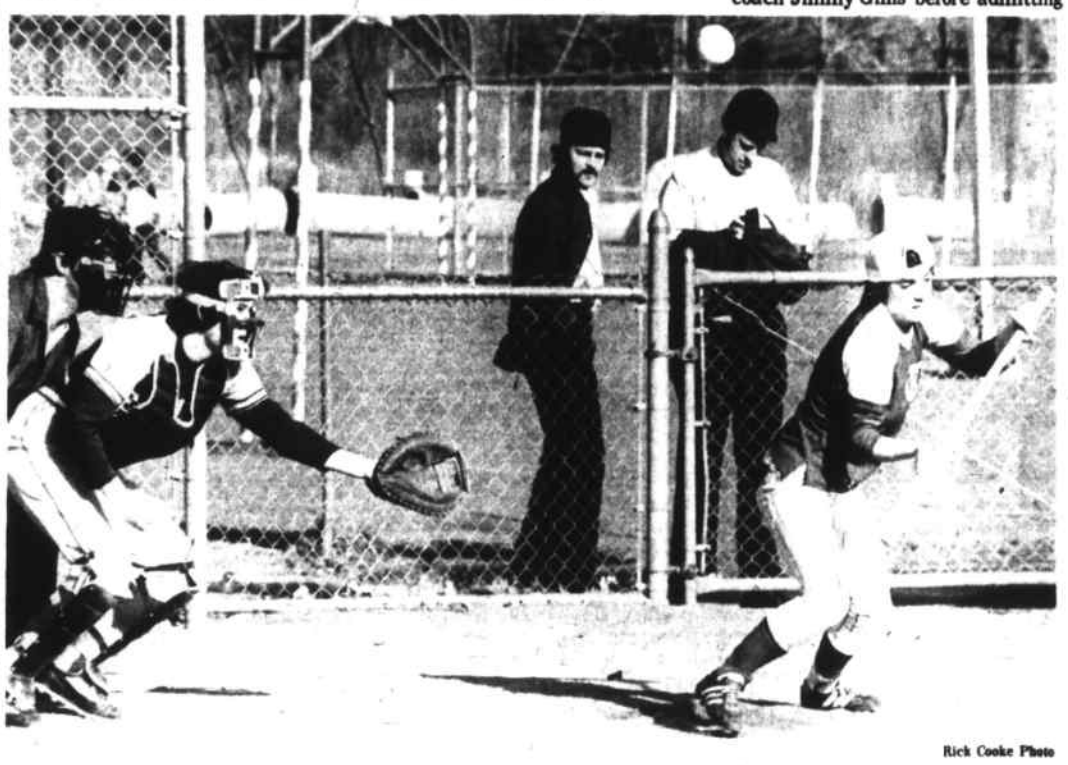
"Every girl who ran or threw came up with their personal bests," said a generally pleased Wilmington coach Len Chin after the meet.

Andover has great depth and that is always a factor, but Von Schantz, only a freshman, set the school record in her two mile race with a time of 13:20.2. The old WHS best in the two mile was 13:24.3

Miss Wiberg was a double winner for Wilmington, taking firsts in the long jump where her 16¾ leap missed the WHS record by a quarter of an inch, and the 100 yard dash where she topped a strong Andover field.

Cori Washak and Margaret Mooney took second and third respectively in the hurdles and Laurie Rodan grabbed third place in the discus.

"I was pleased with the times and the distances of all the girls," offered Chin who is looking for several school records to fall this spring.



Rick Cooke Photo

Getting the bugs out

Tewksbury's Tina Coffin gets the spring bugs out of her bunting technique with this foul ball Thursday.

Tina and her TMHS mates bounced back from a 5-0 deficit to top Westford 13-7 in the softball opener. See story page 10.

Open with Bishop Fenwick

TMHS golf squad has winning tradition

by Rick Cooke

Tewksbury golf has a winning tradition to live up to (9-5-2 in '78) and first year coach Joe Callery is confident that this spring's squad can come up with its usual finish among the top three teams in the Merrimack Valley.

The Redmen have been practicing for three weeks in preparation for their first match against Bishop Fenwick this morning (April 18) at the Trull Brook course. Callery, who replaces John Porter who moved on to coach the freshman girls softball team, is looking for another winning season in the race to catch defending state champ Austin Prep, a team that figures to be a top contender along with Andover, Chelmsford and Tewksbury.

"Tewksbury has been in the top three recently and has been right up there through the years," offered the first year coach who described himself as a 'dedicated' golfer capable of shooting in the 41-47 area.

"Everybody's capable of shooting under bogie golf. We're capable of having a great team if everybody pulls together. My top three guys are all capable of scoring in the 37-38 area," said Callery.

Joe's top three men will be seniors John Walsh and Ed Breen along with junior Bob Kennedy who qualified for the states last spring. Walsh and Kennedy are returning TMHS lettermen as is senior Mike Morgan.

Breen, an outstanding hockey player at Tewksbury, is out for the team for the first time this spring.

Richie Silk is another senior on the squad with junior John Wolfe being the other returning letterman. Sophomores Steve Ogden and Dan Walsh have also made the team as have a pair of promising seniors, Dennis Rapoza and Pat Pilcher.

After the John Walsh, Kennedy and Breen trio Callery has good depth in the eight match competition (seven scores count) with Morgan, Wolfe, Silk and Ogden next in line.

"So far Walsh, Breen and Wolfe have been doing well," said Callery. Ogden had a 39 the other day and he has the potential to be a good golfer," concluded the TMHS coach.

"It's a question of everybody coming together and playing with some consistency," concluded Callery. If Tewksbury's past record of success is any indication Callery can look forward to a very competitive spring of '79.

April

Eighteenth, (Wed) Bishop Fenwick, 11 a.m.; 24 (Tues) Andover; 26 (Thurs) Methuen; 30 (Mon.) at Billerica.

May

Third (Thurs) at Lawrence; 7 (Mon) at Chelmsford; 8 (Tues) Dracut; 10 (Thurs) at Lawrence Central; 15 (Tues) Austin Prep; 22 (Tues) at Lawrence Central-Andover (Tri); 24 (Thurs) Lawrence-Billerica (Tri); 30 (Wed) Chelmsford at Austin (tri); 31 (Thurs) Dracut at Methuen (tri).

Softball tourney

Wilmington will be hosting the State Softball Tournament in August with the Town Park slated to be one of the two sites. The tournament, co-sponsored by Lowell's Frank's TV, will play its games at another field in Wilmington that has yet to be determined.

The tourney will feature the 18 best mens' softball teams in Massachusetts that have survived the State qualifying round that for the past several summers has been played at Memorial Field in Tewksbury.

WILMINGTON RECREATION

SIGN-UP DEADLINES FOR SPRING - SUMMER ACTIVITIES

GIRLS INTRA-TOWN SOFTBALL — GIRLS Ages 13 - 16, Sign - up ends April 30

REACTIONS BASEBALL — Northeast League Team, BOYS Ages 16 - 18, Sign - up ends May 15

Registration at Rec. Dept. Mildred Rogers School 658-6512 or with Mr. Scanlon in Rm 217 at Wilmington High School

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Getting the sure out

WHS senior second sacker Kevin Brander fires to first for the sure out Monday. The Wildcats won 6-3.

Pee Wee's take title, 5-3

Wilmington's Pee Wee A's took home the Burlington League championship with a 5-3 win over the Burlington squad Saturday night. Burlington jumped out to a 1-0 first period lead before Wilmington's Jimmy Newhouse scored with help from Dennis Moran and Dean Athanasia. The period ended at 2-2 when Moran scored from Newhouse.

Athanasia scored in the second period with Joe Cornish and Moran assisting. Harry Cunningham pocketed the game winner later in the period with help from Billy Woods.

The Wilmington lead was cut to 4-3 in the final period before Kevin Robinson hit the open net for the final goal.

The line of Jim Taylor, Steve Raso and Tom McHugh played a fine game for the champs as did the defensive unit of Dave Fuller, Kevin Cullivan, Paul Brady and Cornish. Goaltender Billy Wolfe, who had an outstanding year, was again strong in nets for Wilmington.

The Pee Wee's, under head coach Don MacDonald and assistant Don Constantino, finished the regular season in third place in the Wilmington League and just one point out of the top spot in Burlington.

Wilmington finished with an overall 47-8-3 record for the 78-79 season.

Tewksbury Adult Basketball

Mobil defends championship

Len Gentile scored 21 points and his M&S Mobil teammates held off a second half Wang Labs charge as the defending champs continued their domination of the Tewksbury Adult Basketball League with a 67-62 techincal foul-filled win in the title showdown at TMHS Thursday night.

Wang amassed four technical fouls in a very physical first half that saw Gentile banging underneath with Wang workhorses Ted Faber, Fred Stec and Arthur Harris.

With the rough play finally quieted down in the third quarter, it was Mobil forward Steve Catalano's turn to stake his team to a lead as last year's MVP canned nine points in that third frame to send Mobil into a lead they never relinquished.

Catalano finished with 13 points as did guard Barry Sheehan. It was Gentile, however, who was playing in just his fourth Tewksbury league game this season, who made the difference with his 21, including seven in the final quarter when the defending champs held off a late Wang charge triggered by Faber who hit for seven of his 14 points.

Smooth-shooting Wang guard Paul Emond had the hot hand early for the regular season champs. Emond scored 13 points in the first half to finish with 21 as he shared game high honors with Gentile.

Mobil's Brian Irwin, one of the leading MVP candidates off his consistent play during a season where Mobil was forced to play shorthanded most of the time, finished with 10 in the title game.

Mobil frustrated Wang guard Russ Dufresne, limiting the long range bombing former Dracut High star to just four points. Dufresne drew two technical fouls early in the first half and was ineffective from that point on in the game.

Mobil's title win avenged a 76-54 blowout loss to Wang in a regular season makeup game two weeks ago. Wang won the first half title and finished 11-4 overall while Mobil, the team that has won all but one championship in league history (the exception being the year Friendly's-now Paint and Hardware won the title), staggered through the first half minus some frontline players (Sheehan, Catalano, Gentile and Keith Caveney) before righting itself to grab the second half title and finish 8-7.

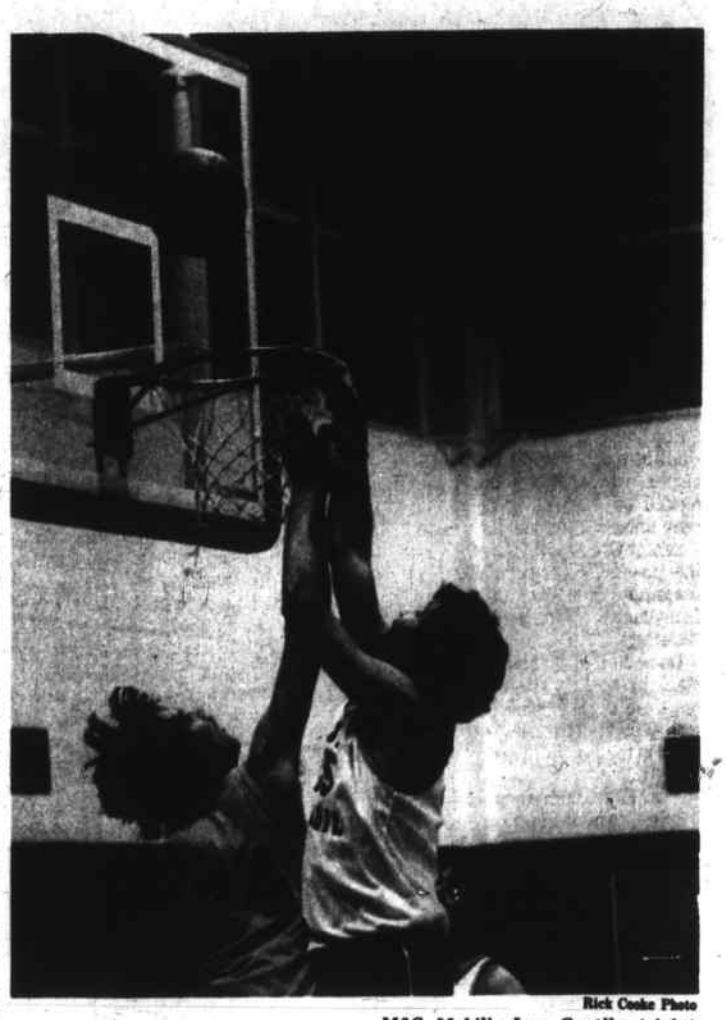
In the night's second game the Jade East escaped the basement with a 56-50 win over Paint and Hardware in a makeup game. Bob Welsh fueled the Jade attack with 16 points and forward Shawn Warren was effective inside, finishing with 15 points. Center Dave Haskell also played a rugged game around both backboards to chip in 10.

Paint and Hardware center Mike Mangano was the main man for his club with a game high 24 points. Forward Steve Lamb, who played consistently throughout the winter for the improved P&H team, stuck in 12 points.

Final standings (overall)

Wang Labs	11- 4
Sullivan's Insurance	9- 7
M&S Mobil	8- 7
Jade East	6-10
Paint and Hardware	5-11

Mobil and Wang Labs did not play a makeup game that had been scheduled during the regular season.



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Banging those boards

M&S Mobil's Len Gentile (right) goes up for a rebound with Wang Lab's Fred Stec in championship action Thursday night. Mobil took the Adult League title with a 67-62 winn. n0

TMHS softball

Tewksbury storms back, 13-7

The Tewksbury girls softball team got its 1979 season off to a good start with a come from behind 13-7 non-league win over Westford at Memorial Field Thursday.

Coach Bonnie Robert's girls fell behind 5-0 when Westford scored five unearned runs in the top half of the first inning. The Redwomen scrapped back with six runs in their half of the first inning and put the visitors away with a four run fifth.

A double by senior firstbaseman Laurie Scamman in the fourth frame keyed the rally that was kept alive by pinch hitter Patty Peter's single to drive home senior secondbaseman Lynne Magee. A walk and an error sent two Tewksbury runs across to complete the game winning rally that wiped out a 7-6 Westford lead.

Tri-captain Sherry Libby helped TMHS ice the game with a homerun the sixth inning when the home club scored three runs.

The winning pitcher in the first game was senior righthanderCindy Whitney who allowed nine hits while walking three.

Rick Cooke Photo

Too late

TMHS catcher and tri-captain Sherry Libby takes a late throw from the outfield in the first inning Thursday.

Sherry belted a sixth inning homerun to give winning pitcher Cindy Whitney a six run cushion. TMHS starts Merrimack Valley Conference play this week.

Baseball from page nine

diamond.

The hitting again was solid for Wilmington with 10 hits spread out among Hastings, Richards, Simmons and junior Bob Gearty who has since been sidelined with an eye injury.

The Wildcats scored there runs in their big sixth inning after picking up single runs in the third and fourth frames.

Walks, passed balls aid Andover, 6-5

Nine walks set the stage and three passed balls in the seventh inning finished off the Redmen who dropped to 0-2 on the spring after a 6-5 loss at Andover Monday morning. The game was originally scheduled for Tewksbury's Hazel Field, but the poor condition of that diamond forced Tewksbury to play its MVC opener at Andover.

Junior lefthander Ron Wallace started and pitched into that seventh inning when he was relieved by another junior lefty - Steve Marsh who had gone five innings in the non-league loss to Lowell Thursday.

It was a case of feast or famine for Wallace, who pitched 10-1 baseball for the junior varsity last spring, as he walked nine and fanned eight. Ron struck out the side in the second inning enroute to his four hitter that was often plagued by wildness.

Senior designated pitcher Scott Goldstein ripped a double and a single for two RBI's and Marsh chipped in with a single for a run batted in.

Senior shortstop Jimmy Friedman, who was elected co-captain with Goldstein, slapped a pair of singles and senior outfielder Al Schultz also had a base hit and an RBI in Tewksbury's big fifth inning.

The Redmen scored a run on two hits in the third inning before erupting for four runs on four hits in the fifth. The Golden Warriors tallied four runs on four hits in the fourth frame before winning the game with two runs on just a single safety in the seventh.

Lowell edges Redmen, 4-2

The Redmen managed just four hits for their two runs as the lefties Marsh (five innings) and Wallace (two innings) turned in creditable jobs. Junior catcher Mike Moore paced the Tewksbury attack with a pair of singles with the other single safeties going to Marsh and Goldstein. Friedman had an RBI for TMHS.

Lowell edged the Tewksbury JV's 1-0 Thursday. Andover outslugged the junior varsity 13-12 with Wayne Fitzpatrick chalking up two hits.

Merrimack Valley Baseball Conference Results Monday

Dracut 6, Billerica 1
Wilmington 6, Austin Prep 3
Lawrence 2, Chelmsford 1
Andover 6, **Tewksbury 5**
Methuen 4, Central 1

Medford drops Bantam A's

Medford overpowered Tewksbury's Bantam A's 9-2 in last Wednesday night's season finale.

Derek Vachon gave Tewksbury a 1-0 lead in the opening period with an assist to Greg Raposa before Medford tied it up as the period ended. Mike Dascoli scored unassisted to give Tewksbury a 2-1 lead in the second period.

Medford pumped eight goals by netminder Eddie Walsh in the final period. Despite the loss Eddie played well in goal during the 78-79 season.

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	MIDGET	4:30 p.m.
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MVC boys track

Busy week for tracksters

The WHS tracksters placed a respectable fifth in the Wilmington High School Invitational won by Haverhill Saturday. Haverhill compiled 104 points to edge the Merrimack Valley Conference's Methuen Rangers. Wilmington finished with 39½ points to place fifth among the 15 teams competing.

Sophomore javelin man Matt Phillips took home a first with a 171-7 heave while Rich Desforge also picked up first place points for the host team in the 440 yard dash.

Senior Greg Pavelcak took fourth in the discus with heave of 125¾ and teammate Ken Warren finished in a fifth place tie in the pole vault with his 9-6 effort.

Dave Nally finished in a tie for fifth place in the 330 yard low hurdles with his time of 40.9 while the Cats also took second in the 440 relay (45.9) and sixth in the two mile relay with a time of 8:51.5

Andover dominates Wildcats

The Andover spring track juggernaut was a rude host in MVC action Thursday with a 119½-25½ romp over Wilmington.

Winners for WHS were John Mucci in the 880 (2.07.6) and Phillips with his outstanding 179-1 throw in the javelin.

Taking seconds for the locals were Roger Coville in the 120 high hurdles (15.4) and low hurdles (41.6) along with Desforge (220-23.9), and the 440 relay team of Mark Boudreau, Phillips, Nally and Desforge that completed its event in 45.5.

Third place finishers for the Wildcats were Pavelcak (discus-127'11½"), Warren (pole vault, 9-6 and high jump 5-4), Boudreau (long jump-19 feet), Nally (low hurdles-41.6), Mike Cassidy (two mile-10:51.9) and Kevin Cogan (mile 5:05).

Wildcats snap Austin hex

Wilmington snapped a three year victory draught against the Austin Prep spring track squad with a 85-60 win to open the MVC season last week.

Three first place finishes apiece by Coville and Desforge sparked the first Wilmington win over the Cougars since 1975. Coville took firsts in the triple jump (38-5), the 330 low hurdles (42.3) and 120 yard high hurdles (16.7) while Desforge outdistanced the field in the long jump (17-10½), 440 yard dash (52.7) and the 100 yard dash (11.4).

Pavelcak took a first in the discus with a 126-5½ effort and senior shot putter Bob Lurvey was first in his main event with a heave of 46-7 and second in the discus at 135-6½.

Phillips, who looks like one of the best javelin men in the area, got off to a good start in MVC action with a first place throw of 157-8.

Keith MacDonald helped the Wildcat cause with a strong second in the javelin (134-7) while Cogan (880-2:18) and Mucci (Mile-4:55) also picked up second place points for Wilmington.

Boudreau took a third place in the 100 yard dash at 12.0 and Cassidy was third with a 11:14 finish in the two mile.

The 440 yard relay team of Boudreau, Nally, Phillips and Paul Boudreau grabbed first place in 48.0 and the mile relay group of Joe Murphy, Dan Burbine, John Harris and Paul Sousa also took top spot with a 4:09 time.

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Margaret heads for finish line

Wilmington High's Margaret Mooney (left) sprints for the finish line and third place in her team's 102-16 loss to Andover in MVC track action Thursday afternoon.

One-pitch softball starts April 22

The Wilmington Recreation Department sponsored one pitch softball league for boys will start Sunday, April 22 at the W.H.S. JV field.

The season's schedule:

Boys one-pitch softball

Teams

1, Softballs, 2. Born Losers, 3. O.C. Bunch, 4. F-Troop, 5. Hard Guys, 6. Assorted Nuts.

Sun., April 22: Born Losers vs Softballs, 2 p.m.; O.C. Bunch vs Assorted Nuts, 3 p.m.; F-Troop vs Hard Guys, 4 p.m.

Sun., April 29: O.C. Bunch vs F-Troop 4 p.m.; Assorted Nuts vs Softballs, 5 p.m.; Born Losers vs Hard Guys, 6 p.m.

Sun., May 6: Assorted Nuts vs F-Troop, 4 p.m.; Born Losers vs O.C. Bunch, 5 p.m.; Softballs vs Hard Guys, 6 p.m.

Sun., May 13: F-Troop vs Softballs, 4 p.m.; Hard Guys vs O.C. Bunch, 5 p.m.; Assorted Nuts vs Born Losers, 6 p.m.

Sun., May 20: Hard Guys vs Assorted Nuts, 4 p.m.; Softballs vs O.C. Bunch, 5 p.m.; F-Troop vs Born Losers, 6 p.m.

Sun., May 27: Born Losers vs Softballs, 4 p.m.; O.C. Bunch vs Assorted Nuts, 5 p.m.; F-Troop vs Hard Guys, 6 p.m.

Sun., June 3: O.C. Bunch vs F-Troop 4 p.m.; Assorted Nuts vs Softballs, 5 p.m.; Born Losers vs Hard Guys 6 p.m.

Sun., June 10: Assorted Nuts vs F-Troop, 4 p.m.; Born Losers vs O.C. Bunch, 5 p.m.; Softballs vs Hard Guys, 6 p.m.

Sun., June 17: F-Troop vs Softballs, 4 p.m.; Hard Guys vs O.C. Bunch, 5 p.m.; Assorted Nuts vs Born Losers 6 p.m.

Sun., June 24: Hard Guys vs Assorted Nuts, 4 p.m.; Softball vs O.C. Bunch, 5 p.m.; F-Troop vs Born Losers, 6 p.m.

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The last hurdle- and second place for Cori Washak

Cori Washak (left) clears the last hurdle enroute to a second place in Wilmington's MVC meet Thursday.

Tewksbury spring soccer

B' booters comeback clips Bedford, 3-1

Tewksbury's "B" team (under 14) travelling soccer boys finally began their season this Saturday with a come from behind 3-1 victory over a tough Bedford club. Tewksbury, whose first game with Billerica was postponed on April 7 (rescheduled at a later date) due to a flood-covered field in Billerica, had to change dates with Bedford. The change was due to Tewksbury's field not being lined or goal posts put up. Hopefully the confusion will be cleard up for this coming Saturday, April 21, when the B team will host always tough Wakefield at the Junior High field starting at 4 p.m. Wakefield posted a 4-1 win over Arlington before poor field conditions led to a cancellation of its game with Billerica Saturday.

The B team, playing at Bedford Junior High's twin soccer field complex, had first game jitters, as Bedford was able to control the game early. Tewksbury goalie John Morris, who would be tested severly during the first half, was outstanding. John, along with fullback Tony Masone, kept Tewksbury from being blown off the field during the Bedford surge.

Giving Bedford corner kick after corner kick, and being unable to clear the ball out of their zone, Tewksbury fell behind 1-0. Bedford,after a corner kick and a clearing kick by fullback Kevin Comfort, retrieved the ball and fired a 25 yard shot past a screened Morris.

Bedford continued the pressure, but with about five minutes left in the 35 minute half, Tewksbury's Bob Fowler headed the ball to center Boo Tremlett, who after the ball took one bounce headed the ball over the Bedford goalie to tie the game at 1-1.

The second half started with Bedford being turned back by the outstanding play of fullbacks Masone and Al Mara, both of whom triggered Tewksbury's second half comeback.

Led by halfbacks Scott Poverchuk and Tom Carpenito, along with the hustle of center halfback Dan Poulin, Tewksbury took the lead.

Carpenito took a pass from Poulin, and sent the ball out to the wing where Mark Perry fired a blast that glanced off a Bedford defenseman for the goal.

Bedford, having topped Concord 2-0 the previous week, came unglued at this point, as Tewksbury began applying some pressure. With tremendous hustle by fullbacks Comfort, Masone, Mike Richard, Carpenito, Armand Dias, Bob Fowler, and Tim Kelly, Tewksbury pocketed its third goal of the game.

Peter Vultaggio took a pass from Masone, and after taking the ball down the left wing, sent a sharp cross pass to halfback Scott Poverchuk, who directed the ball toward the Bedford net. Boo Tremlett, in excellent position, beat the goalie who had come out for the ball.

Bedford staged one last spurt, only to have Morris, along with fullbacks Mara, Masone and Andy Fleury intercept and clear passes that frustrated several rallies.

Quick passing by the forward lines of Perry, Tremlett, Kelly Dennis Moore, Piccolo and Fowler helped the B' boys protect the lead.

Each week, the team picks captains for the next game off the previous game's performance. For the Bedford game, last year's returnee's Boo Tremlett and Mike Piccolo led the team. This Saturday vs Wakefield, there will be tri-captains- Tony Masone, Danny Poulin and Al Mara.

Pony League tryouts

Wilmington Pony League tryouts (boys 13 to 15) have been scheduled for Saturday, April 21, at the North Intermediate School field starting at 10 a.m. In case of rain, tryouts will be held Monday, April 23, at 5:30 p.m. at the High School field.

There are two Pony League traveling teams in Wilmington. The league is made up of two teams from North Reading, four from Reading and two from Wilmington. In addition to the regular league there is a rookie league for the 13 and 14 year old boys only, in which the new boys play the entire game. These are also traveling leagues.

Questions should be directed to: Joe Bulger (658-2969), Larry Lombardi (658-9562) or Gerry O'Reilly (658-3412).

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WHS record

WHS freshman two miler Deanna Von Schantz trails two Andover runners, but went on to set her school's record for the two mile with a 13:20.2 time.

The previous WHS best in the two mile was 13:24.3.

Wilmington's Marathon Man

by Carol Cooke

Who is that man running around Wilmington's high school track in red shorts and a teeshirt that says "The Complete Runner?"

Could it be Bill Rogers? No, this man is shorter - about 5'8" and his reddish-brown hair and beard tell us it is none other than Wilmington's Assistant Town Manager, Buzz Stapczynski. He was practicing for the Boston Marathon, a race he would finish in three hours, 22 minutes.

For the past two months Stapczynski has been running 50 miles a week in preparation for the Marathon. "While in training I ran eight or nine miles a day with a longer 20 mile run on weekends," notes Stapczynski, who runs at the high school track after work. Or between meetings as the case was last Wednesday night. Stapczynski ran his eight miles, then changed from his shorts into his blue suit with stripped tie and resumed his official duties as Assistant Town Manager by attending an 8 p.m. meeting.

For 32-year-old Stapczynski, running has been a favorite sport since high school days in Michigan.

"When I started running cross-country in high school there was a Michigan state law that forbid students from running more than two miles a day," recalls Stapczynski, "because the officials believed it would be physically harmful to the student - the law has since been changed."

The assistant town manager remembers his friend who ran in the Michigan Marathon at age 17 so everyone thought he was crazy, "Ever since my crazy friend ran in that marathon, I've been interested in marathon running." (Although, Stapczynski never did participate in a marathon until his 30th birthday.)

After high school Stapczynski received a scholarship from a Catholic University in Washington, D.C. "One of the requirements of the scholarship was that I had to participate in sports." says the political science major. "So I joined the track team and got to travel around the Midwest, and once to New York competing against other colleges."

During this time Stapczynski averaged running 80 to 90 miles a week. Although, when he got to graduate school at the University of Kansas to study public administration, there was no track team. "But I ran there too," smiles Stapczynski, "some other students and I formed a team. At that time Jim Ryan held the one mile record and he became my idol. He was a great runner."

After receiving his Masters Degree, Stapczynski got a job in Virginia working for Fairfax County as a budget analyst. "I had a friend in Mansfield, Massachusetts working as a town administrator," recalls Stapczynski, "and he encouraged me to move up to Massachusetts. I finally decided to move here in 1976 and got a job with a public management consultant firm in Boston." Recently Stapczynski saw the assistant town manager position advertised and applied. "I like the job and the town very much," remarks Stapczynski.

As assistant town manager he handles a variety of administrative duties, among them: Research work, citizen complaints, liason between the town and the sewerage project, CETA liason, and co-chairman of the Vandalism Committee.

Now you ask how did the assistant town manager get to compete in his first Marathon?

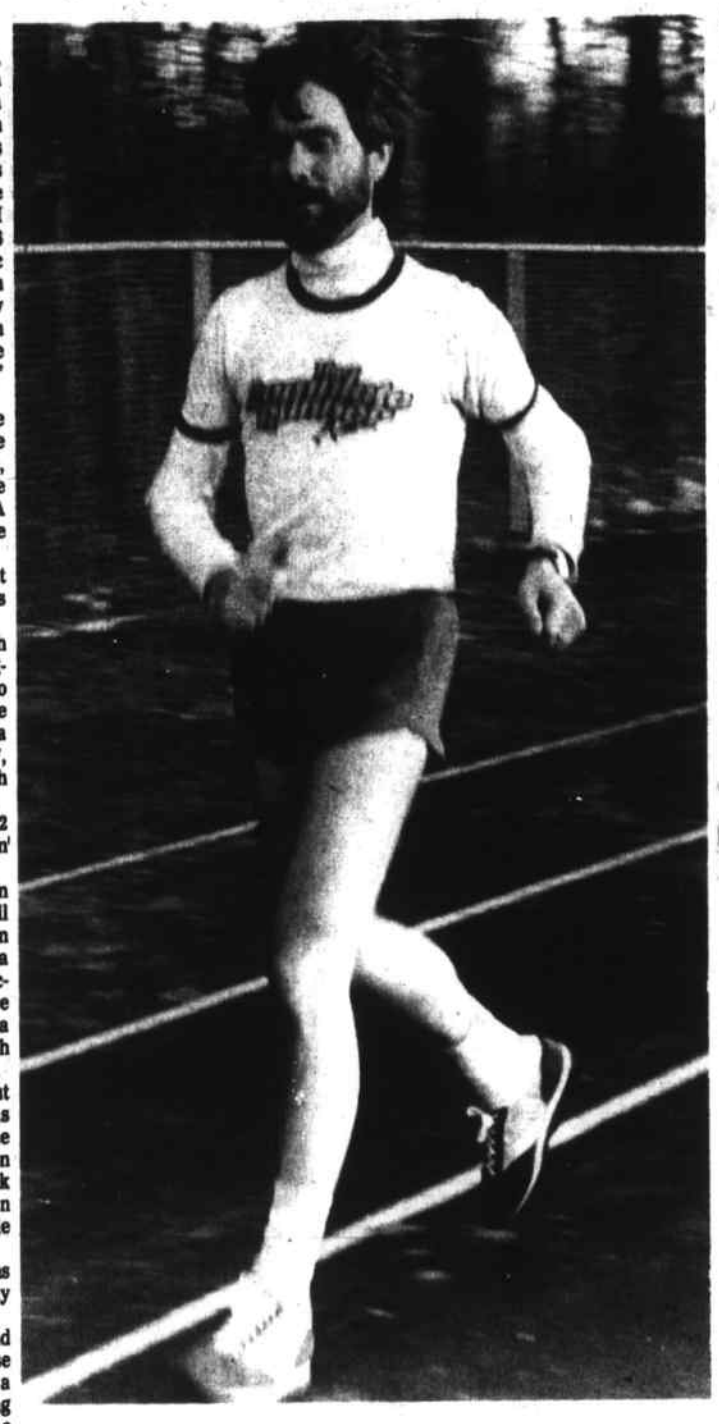
Stapczynski remembers his 30th year clearly, "I had continued long-distance running after moving to Massachusetts. Upon hearing there was a marathon in North Carolina scheduled for December 17, 1977, which coincidentially was my 30th birthday, I decided to compete in it. My finish time was three hours and 32 minutes and I felt that was quite an accomplishment at the age of 30."

Stapczynski didn't stop there. In March of 1978 he ran in the Lowell Marathon and in April in the Boston Marathon. This could have been a little too much according to Stapczynski. "It was a lot of fun, but there had to be an easier way to run a marathon. I wasn't rested enough last year for the Boston Marathon. The last six miles really wore me out and going up and down the hills was quite a strain. This year the only race I competed in before the Boston Marathon was the Wingaersheek Runners' Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving, which was a nine mile race."

According to Stapczynski he runs marathons just for fun and is really more a six to 10 mile racer.

When not running Stapczynski and his wife Gail enjoy going to horse competitions. Stapczynski is also a cross-country skier and this spring has been taking up a light frame construction course at North Shore Community College in Beverly where he lives.

"We're building a garage on Saturday mornings and it's a lot of fun," smiles Wilmington's Marathon Man.



Buzz warms up for marathon

Wilmington Assistant Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski works out at the WHS track prior to the Boston Marathon Monday.

where the action is

Baseball

Wednesday, April 18: Tewksbury at Methuen (10 a.m.); Wilmington at Andover (10 a.m.).

Friday, April 20: Billerica at Tewksbury (10 a.m.); Methuen at Wilmington (10 a.m.).

Monday, April 23: Lawrence at Tewksbury (3:30 p.m.); Wilmington at Billerica (3:30 p.m.).

Wednesday, April 25: Tewksbury freshmen at Chelmsford Parker (3:30 p.m.).

Softball

Thursday, April 19: Tewksbury at Dracut (1:30 p.m.); Lawrence at Wilmington (1:30 p.m.).

Friday, April 20: Bishop Fenwick at Tewksbury (1:30 p.m.).

Tuesday, April 24: Wilmington at Tewksbury (3:30 p.m.).

Track

Wednesday, April 18: Billerica at Tewksbury boys (10 a.m.); Wilmington boys at Methuen (10 a.m.); Tewksbury girls at Billerica (10 a.m.); Methuen at Wilmington girls (10 a.m.).

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Tennis

Wednesday, April 18: Methuen at Tewksbury boys (10 a.m.); Tewksbury girls at Methuen (10 a.m.); Andover at Wilmington boys (10 a.m.); Wilmington girls at Andover (10 a.m.).

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Tuesday, April 24: Tewksbury boys at Lawrence (3:30 p.m.); Billerica at Wilmington boys (3:30 p.m.); Lawrence at Tewksbury girls (3:30 p.m.); Wilmington girls at Billerica (3:30 p.m.).

Wednesday, April 25: Chelmsford at Tewksbury boys (3:30 p.m.); Wilmington boys at Lawrence (3:30 p.m.); Tewksbury girls at Chelmsford (3:30 p.m.); Lawrence at Wilmington girls (3:30 p.m.).

Golf

Wednesday, April 18: Tewksbury vs Bishop Fenwick (11 a.m., Trull Brook).

Tuesday, April 24: Tewksbury vs Andover (3:30 p.m., Trull Brook).

Tewksbury girls Jr. High track

Tuesday, April 24: Tewksbury at Andover East (3:30 p.m.).

Tewksbury freshman softball

Tuesday, April 24: Andover West at Tewksbury (3:30 p.m.).

Soccer

Saturday, April 21: Wilmington B' team vs Medford (3:30 p.m., Shawsheen School); Tewksbury B' team vs Wakefield (3:30 p.m., Junior High School).

Youth hockey

Wilmington Youth Hockey tryouts April 28, 29 30 at WYIA. **Saturday** - Mites and Squirts (1 p.m.) Pee Wee (2:10 p.m.); Bantam (3:20 p.m.) and Midget (4:30 p.m.).

Sunday - Mites and Squirts (1 p.m.); Pee Wee (2:10 p.m.); Bantam (3:20 p.m.) and Midget (4:30 p.m.).

Monday: Mites and Squirts (5:30 p.m.); Pee Wee (6:40 p.m.); Bantam (7:50 p.m.) and Midget (9 p.m.).

Rec softball, baseball sign-ups

The Wilmington Recreation Department will sponsor the Girls' Intratown Softball League again this year. The Rec League will consist of five or six teams, depending on the number of girls who sign up.

Games will be played on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings at the Town Park with the league starting in early June and ending the last week of July.

Sign-ups will end April 30 in order that teams may draft players and practice before the season begins.

The Rec's baseball team will have sign-ups now through May 15 for boys ages 16-18. The season begins at the close of the high school baseball season, and ends August 1.

Sign-ups for both Girls' Intratown Softball (ages 13-16) and Red baseball will be at the Rec Department (in the Mildred Rogers School).

Prospective players can also call the Rec Dept. at 658-6512 or sign up with Mr. Scanlon in Room 217 at Wilmington High School.

A future marathoner- Tewksbury's Lisa Gaines (left) works out and Fred Lehr, son-in-law of former Wilmington resident William Wendell. Lehr represented the Kiwanis of San Diego in Monday's race.

Lisa has been an outstanding distance runner for Tewksbury High and may some day run a marathon.

Three hours, 22 minutes

Buzz finished-and that's what counts

by Elaine DePasquale

Although he didn't place in the top 100, or even in the top 1,000 of Monday's Boston Marathon finishers, Assistant Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says he's satisfied with his performance.

Stapczynski, who says he probably placed "somewhere in the middle" of the 10,000 or so runners who finished the 26-mile footrace, was still feeling the effects of a cross-country ski injury he suffered in February.

"Because of the injury, I missed a whole month of training," said Stapczynski. "I didn't plan on racing, just running."

His official time of three hours, 22 minutes was just 22 minutes longer than his time in the 1978 Boston Marathon.

Still Stapczynski was philosophical. "It was a lot of fun. I really enjoyed myself," he said.

He plans to begin running again Thursday in preparation for "two or three races a month" this summer.

More than 12,000 (7800 official entries) runners entered the Boston Marathon this year. Though official standings will not be available for a few weeks, Stapczynski said he guessed that his position was about 4,000.

Fitness studio

The womens' fitness studio at the Greater Lawrence YWCA will begin a new term the week of April 23. The studio is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 9:15 to 1 p.m. and Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 9:30.

Included in the program is supervised exercies, disco aerobics. water exercise, swimming, sauna, exercise bikes and vibrating belts. The studio is staffed by qualified personnel who will weigh and measure you, if you desire, and assist you in your individual fitness program.

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